DOUBLE TAKE

BIRDS OF . . . A FEATHER

NOW FOR OSCARS

APOCALYPSE Now, the violent and controversial film about the Vietnam war, has been nominated for nine of Britain's 14 film Oscars. To The Manor Born, Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, The Kenny Everett Video Show and Fawlty Towers are in line for top TV awards.

End of the 'tanner'

SIXPENNY pieces will cease to be legal tender after June 30, Mr Nigel Lawson, Treasury financial secretary, said yesterday. They can be exchanged at banks for 2½p. The 200 million 'tanners' in circulation have a face value of £5 million and contain metal worth about £3 million.

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AIN'T LIFE A MYSKERY!

SCARED TO DEATH

BURUNDI: Five African hitch-hikers were killed leaping from a speeding lorry yesterday. They jumped after someone climbed out of a coffin next to them. It was the driver's mate who had popped into the empty coffin to take a nap.

Beatrix escapes Dutch helm disease . . .

● **PRINCESS BEATRIX**, to be crowned Holland's new queen in two months, arrives on Friday for a cosy cuppa at Buckingham Palace—and a few tips on how to be a popular monarch. But there is another good reason for the visit; to escape workmen at home. The Hague palace where she and unpopular ex-Hitler Youth husband **Claus** (they're pictured above) will reign is, somewhat symbolically, falling apart. "It is crawling with Capricorn beetles," says a Hague palace spokesperson apprehensively inspecting his clogs.

BOY DONOVAN SAYS NO

'I wouldn't be happy without something to worry about'

Captain's clanger

A captain who set off his shi
siren to stop a quarrel wa
jailed for two months yester
day for waking up the Italia
port Genoa.

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
BOB!

THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, WE ARRANGED IT!

BRAVE BOB KEEPS SMILING

Filming has already started on the $13 million movie musical Popeye, with TV superstar Robin Williams cast as the gruff-talking, spinach-chomping sailor, and Shelley Duvall as his string-bean girlfriend Olive Oyl.

On the Popeye set, award-winning playwright, novelist and satirist Jules Feiffer had to turn out a script based on Popeye's celebrated motto: "I yam what I yam and that's all I yam."

He turned out 120 pages of dialogue, and Oscar-winning producer Robert Evans was prompted to declare: "I have been involved with 250 pictures but not one has had the vision of Popeye."

The movie is being filmed on the island of Malta, where Popeye's seaport hometown of Sweetwater has been meticulously reconstructed. "We have built a seaport, barges and an underwater tank," said Evans. "It would have cost another $30 million to make the movie in Hollywood."

After seeing Robin Williams in his smash hit Mork & Mindy TV series and signing him for the title role, Evans said: "I have never been more fortunate in casting. I see Robin as the real Popeye.

"He will sing and dance and he even fights an octopus underwate to rescue his son, Sweetpea. The whole Oyl family is in it — Olive, Cod Liver, Castor, Mineral and Wesson."

To prepare for his role, Williams has been putting in long hours at a gymnasium practising rapid-fire cartwheels, handstands and mule kicks.

While Popeye has one of show-businesses's hottest young comedians going for it, producer Dino De-Laurentiis is gambling on a cast of unknowns in his Flash Gordon extravaganza.

In the title role is 26-year-old former truck driver Sam Jones — a

Came from Grandma Today 7/6

LAST month, Michigan TV station WGTU aired the 1948 film Hell Cats of Navy, starring Ronald Reagan. 'Unfair,' screamed another presidential candidate, Sen. Howard Baker, claiming that under the statutory 'equal time' clause, he should be given the same kind of TV exposure.

The government agreed, and now Baker is to be given a 30-minute TV slot.

DID YOU KNOW?

THE City of Dublin was founded by Vikings in 840 A.D.

● What will Ali do next? Having completed his Olympic boycott mission to Africa for President Carter, Muhammad is off on another international assignment. He's going to Saudi Arabia to open a car showroom for Toyota.

● What a strange sense of history the Americans do have. Alongside such items as George Washington's uniform and Irving Berlin's piano, their Smithsonian Institute are to display . . . the leather jacket worn by Henry "The Fonz" Winkler. How cute.

Cock hoarse

A NOISY cockerel owned by 25-year-old Anita Carey, of Eastville, Bristol, was served with an order to keep quiet by the local council yesterday.

TRY THIS, MR. GEEZIL!

In the bag!

A MAN at work always helped himself when I had a bag of sweets in front of me. And every time he said: "My favourites."

One day I put a bag of mothballs down and he rose to the bait.

His face was a picture as he popped one in his mouth. He never came cadging again.

Mrs M.T., Brighton, Sussex.

PA OYL

Goose-step Ken's loo seat protest

MARKET gardener Ken Odell had the last laugh yesterday when he paid the bill for posing as Basil Fawlty.

He turned up at court with a cheque to cover the fine written on a white lavatory seat.

And his wife Wendy paid her fine with a cheque written on a pair of red, frilly knickers.

Mr Odell, 49, of Oakly Road, Redditch, Hereford and Worcs, ran into trouble with the law when he impersonated actor John Cleese of TV's "Fawlty Towers" by goose-stepping pas a meter maid who was trying to give his wife a parking ticket.

Last week he was fined £30 by Evesham magistrates, for a breach of the peace

Mrs Odell, 30, was also fined £30 for using abusive language.

The cheques were accepted by court officials.

Mr Odell said: "We paid the fines like this because it was the only way in which we could express our disgust at the justice we received."

Wanted: Wife to keep me warm

BASHFUL butcher Chris Ridge has a lonely heart—and cold feet.

Now he wants a wife so that after a day working with cold sides of meat he has someone to cuddle up with at night.

So Mr William Lowe, manager of the newsagent's next door in Catherine Street, St Albans, Herts, decided to help. He put this advertisement in his window:—

Young butcher, aged 21, seeks female with a view to marriage. Age immaterial. See Chris in the butcher's shop next door.

"He didn't know anything about it until ladies starting calling on him and pulling his leg," said Mr Lowe.

Chris, of Culver Road, St Albans, said: "Everyone thinks it's funny but it might do the trick."

So far, replies have come mainly from middle-aged matrons . . . and usually divorcees. "Not quite what Chris is looking for," said Mr Lowe.

Miss BA regrets

BRITISH Airways were hoping for good publicity when they sent their reigning beauty queen Kim Turner on a six-day visit to Cyprus. They might have got it if only they hadn't sent all her luggage to Zurich in Switzerland . . .

DID YOU KNOW?

THOMAS GRAY, author of "Elegy Written In A Country Churchyard," actually began writing this poem in a private house in Buckinghamshire. The house is now called Burnham Beeches and is a luxury hotel.

③ ANOTHER ANONYMOUS 5-LINER:
PREDICTIONS FOR THE ACADEMY'S PRESENTS:
THE MALTESE - BEST SUSTAINED PLEASANCE
BEST ACTOR - WES HURT
P. TORRISI - BEST FLIRT
AND BOB EVANS - BEST OFF CAMERA PRESENCE

④ HIS PRODIGIOUS BIRTHDAY NOTWITHSTANDING
JULES HAD NO HANGOVER ON LANDING
IT SEEMS THAT THE REMEDY
WAS A SPEECH ON TED KENNEDY
AND CONTINUOUS DANCE-FLOOR MANHANDLING.

A POEM, BY O.F.

MAYBE SO,
PROBABLY NO,
BUT I KINDOF
DOUBT IT...

RABBI GROSBARD
GROSBEAK
SEZ:
"I SURE
WUZ
GOOD IN THE
DAILIES!"
(FLIES IN MY SOUP!)

BEES GET A BUZZ IN ECLIPSE

NEW DELHI: Female bees became sexually aggressive and mental patients disorderly during the total eclipse of the sun over India at the weekend.

Song birds also stopped singing and flew home to roost during the brief period of darkness as the moon covered the sun.

Disorderly behaviour among patients in mental hospitals in Southern India began increasing 24 hours before the eclipse and was at its height just before the event.

In Bangladesh, two youths were blinded when they looked at the eclipse without eye protection.

The youths, one 17 and the other 20, defied the warnings of scientists.

Operation Goosepimples

A MAN who had locked himself out of his flat dialled 999 from a call box yesterday and told police: 'You are not going to believe this, but I have nothing on. Can you help me?'

A panda car crew found him shivering in the phone box, hiding his embarrassment behind a telephone directory. He told them he got out of bed to go to the lavatory, but opened the wrong door and found himself shut out on the landing. His wife did not wake up when he rang the bell, so in desperation he streaked to the phone box.

Police lent him a coat and forced the door of his flat in the Drive at Hove, Sussex. They refuse to name him.

* * *

UNVEILED today: Art-to-wear. New trousers, shirts, shoes, even socks and underwear—imprinted with an original painting—are available at New York's Unique Clothing Warehouse. 'It's for people who want to collect art but can't afford a place to live,' says the firm's founder. 'You just hang the picture on your body.'

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IN the past 16 days in New York, two policemen have been shot dead with handguns. The weapon was used to kill 823 people in the city last year, nearly half of the record homicide toll of 1,733. This compared with 485 murders of all kinds in the whole of Britain during the same period.

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IN a sale that is expected to raise £1·5 million, the U.S. Government is auctioning 3,000 surplus escape and evasion packs—known as barter kits. They contain gold coins, trinkets and jewellery used in World War II by troops trapped behind exemy lines.

* * *

MICK JAGGER hopped into a Manhattan taxi. No, he told the chatty cabbie, the lady who had just given him a fond kerbside farewell was not Jerry Hall, his current romance. No, he was not buying a block of flats in the city. And yes, he said, handing the driver three dollars, he'd like 20 cents change on a fare of 2·30. Our Mick didn't go to the London School of Economics for nothing.

JELLY BABY SNATCH

ALMOST five tons of British jelly babies were "kidnapped" by Swedish officials in weekend raids at Varnamo in Sweden. Police say the jelly babies do not conform to foodstuffs regulations and contain a colouring that is on the Swedish list of banned substances.

Tycoon's Malta buy is Gaul to the Yard

☆ OBVIOUSLY fugitive tycoon JOHN GAUL feels more certain about his future than the hapless British bobbies trying to bring him to book.

Gaul, 67, who is wanted in connection with the shotgun murder of his fourth wife, has been living the life of Riley aboard his yacht Lotus Eater moored in Malta.

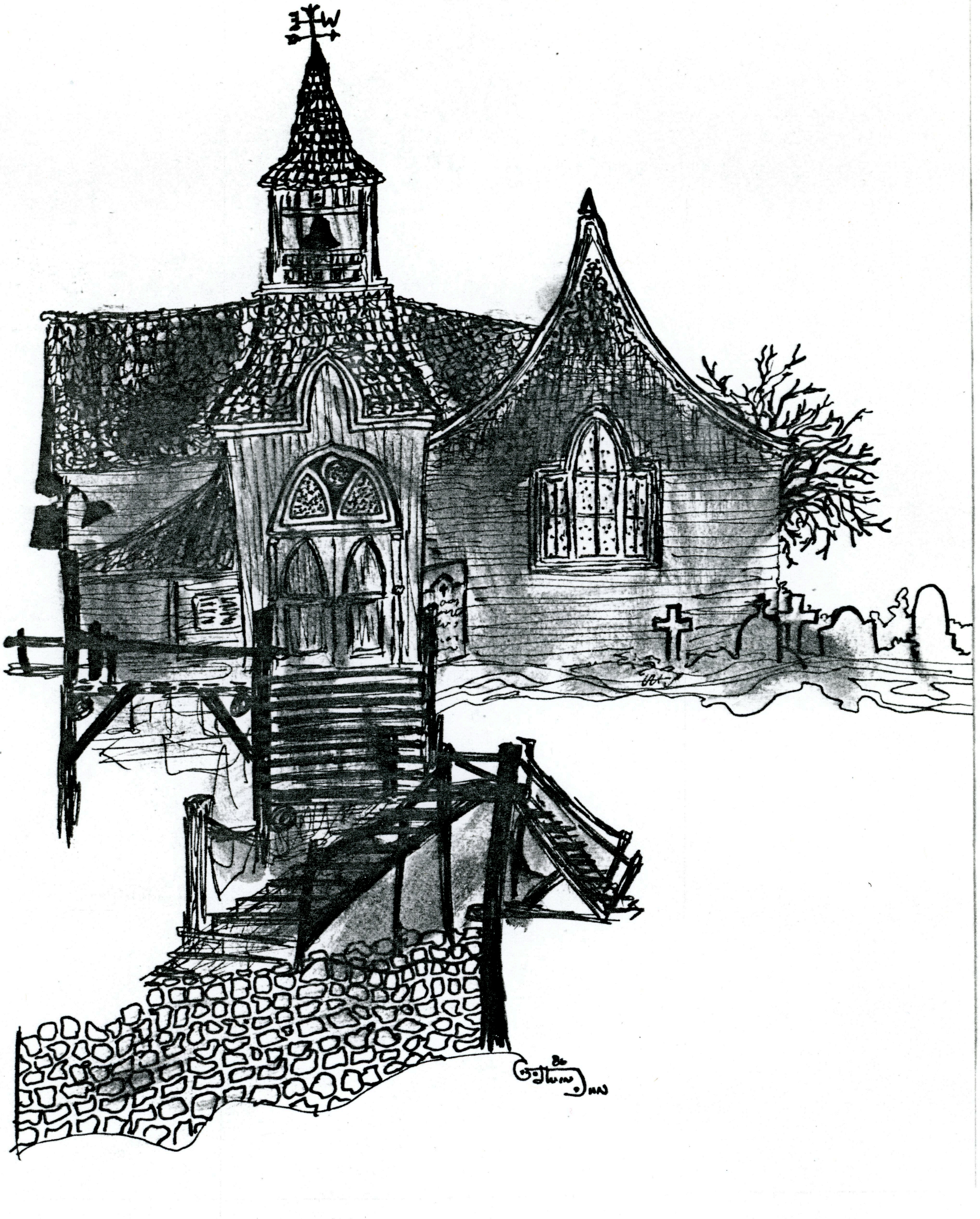
Now he has gained such a love for the sunkissed isle that he has bought himself a magnificent luxury villa there — registered in the name of his fifth wife — his former secretary ANGELA PILCH.

So far the couple, together with their three-month-old son XAVIER, have yet to move ashore. But they are obviously more optimistic than British police about the outcome of Gaul's extraordinary extradition proceedings, which so far have taken two years.

Gaul... staying put

RAY'S
PLACE
↘

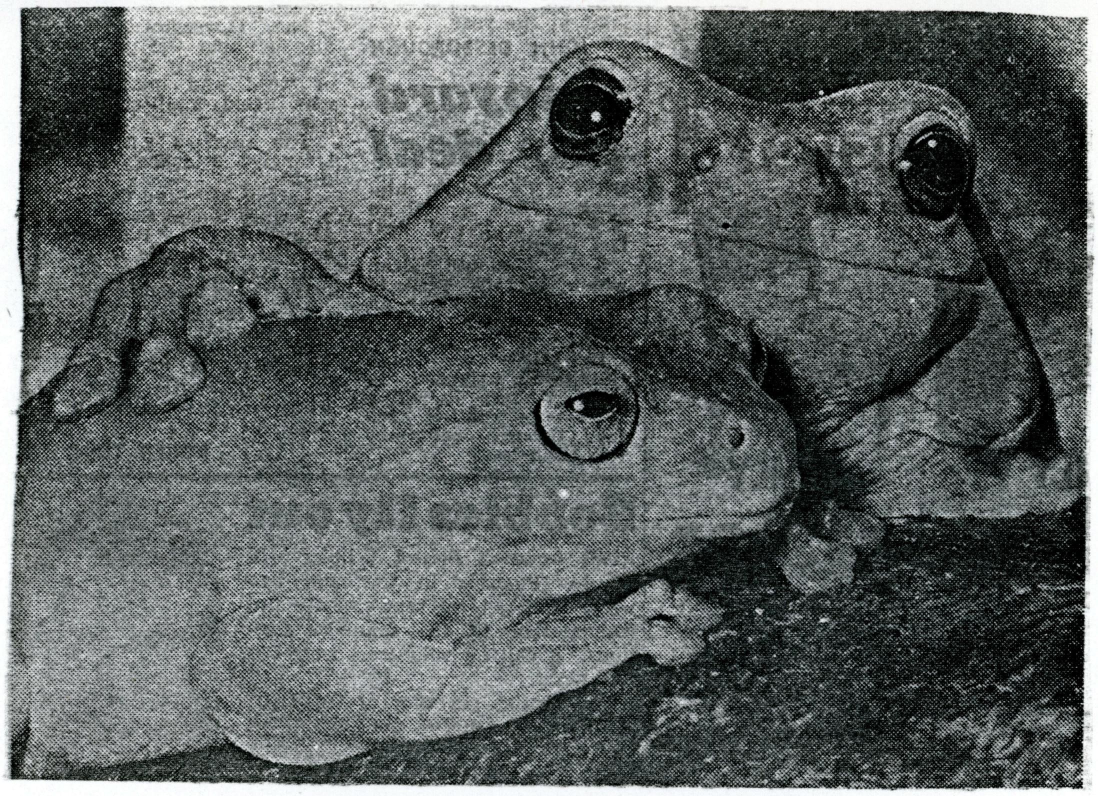
DISCO
DANCING
NIGHTLY



ANONYMOUS 5-LINERS (ANOTHER COUNTY HEARD FROM)

① SWEETHAVEN IN AND AROUND
IS A PLACE WHERE ROBERTS ABOUND
WITH HEROIC LIVERS
AND OPINIONS DIVERSE
CONCERNING THE SONG "BLOW ME DOWN"

② THOUGH BY & LARGE A LOVE STORY
THERE ARE OCCASIONS WHEN SENZA AMORE
PEPINO LOOKS THROUGH HIS GLASS
AT THE CAPTAIN AND ASKS
"COULD THE ACTORS MUG IN ONE PLACE, PER FAVORE?"



Help me explain the facts of life

IF U WISH TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE GAZETTE - PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY ON WHITE TYPEWRITER PAPER IN BLACK INK ONLY. TRANSLATING AND COPYING IS ALMOST AS MUCH WORK AS RULING!

CHARLTON HESTON'S FAVORITE FILMS

1. HENRY V (1944)
2. RED RIVER (1948)
3. BRIDGE ON RIVER KWAI (1957)
4. CITIZEN KANE (1941)

True Romances
Addresses
True Romances
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WHAT A PET

JOANNA the Gerbil, pet of schoolgirl Julie Lock of Bridgwater, Somerset, has won a place in the Guinness Book of Records by giving birth to ten babies.

WISE WORDS

But what is woman? Only one of Nature's agreeable blunders.
Hannah Cowley
(1743-1809)

● Sensuous Sophia Loren is taking dancing lessons—from the same teacher who showed Olivia Newton-John how to boogie in "Grease"—for a stage musical co-starring Burt Reynolds. The thought of the fullsome Sophia doing anything remotely resembling a boogie, is enough to fill Wembley Stadium.

OSCARLESS:

RICHARD BURTON: 7 NOMINATIONS
THELMA RITTER: 7 "
DEBORAH KERR: 7
ARTHUR KENNEDY: 5
PETER O'TOOLE: 5
IRENE DUNNE: 5
AL PACINO: 4
CHARLES BOYER: 4
PAUL NEWMAN: 4
MONTGOMERY CLIFT: 4
SHIRLEY MACLAINE: 4
DUSTIN HOFFMAN: 3
NATALIE WOOD: 3
KIRK DOUGLAS: 3

KATHRYN ALTMAN'S CONTRIBUTION

(THE FORMER SKETCH FROM LAST WEEK'S
GOSSIP COLUMN)

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THAT ARE REALLY & TRULY SH - SH - SH'S
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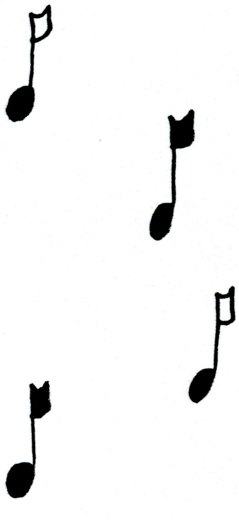
NEWS ON THE HOUR
AND THANK VICTOR



AQUILINA -
AND RADIO MALTA INTERNATIONAL

AMUSE YOURSELF

RIDDLES

QUESTION: What has jam inside, sugar outside and is extinct?

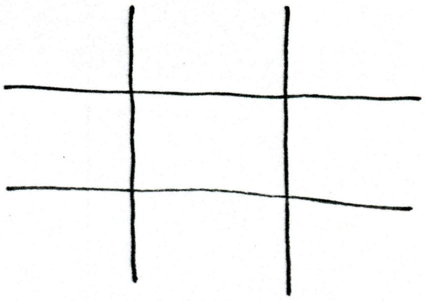
QUESTION: What makes cannibal food monotonous?

● **RIDDLES:** A dough-doughnut. Chaps with everything.

DID YOU KNOW?

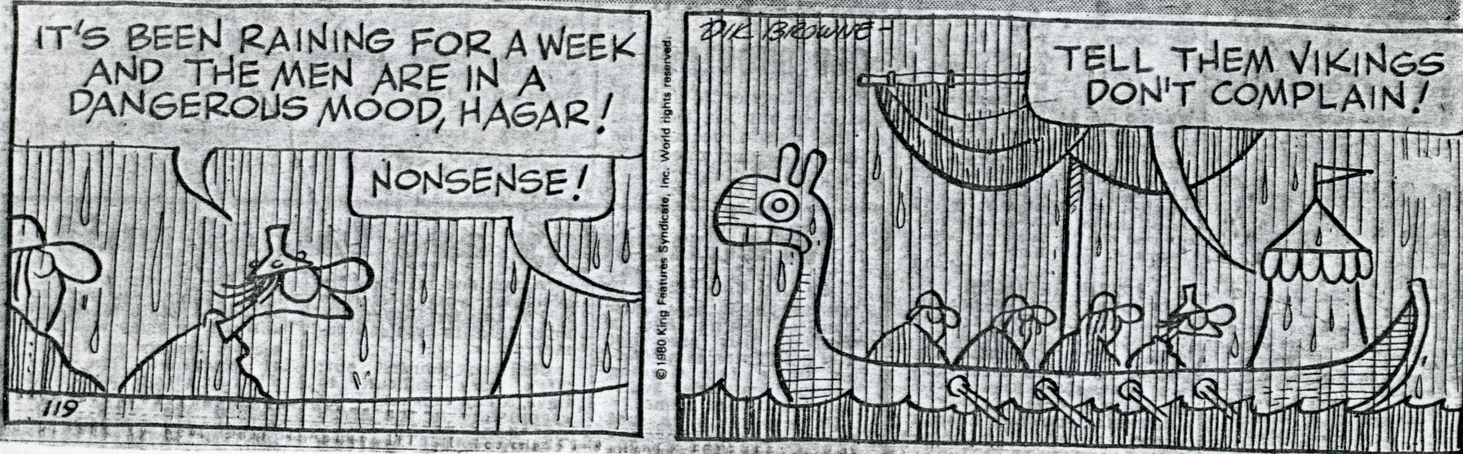
GIRAFFE'S milk has more than seven times the amount of protein contained in cow's milk.

TIC TAC TOE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

By DIK BROWNE


IT'S BEEN RAINING FOR A WEEK AND THE MEN ARE IN A DANGEROUS MOOD, HAGAR!
NONSENSE!
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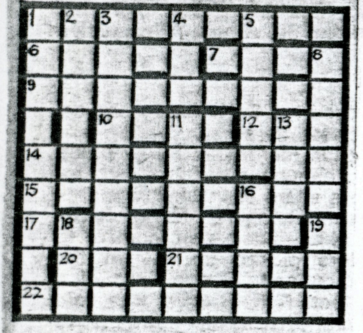
DIK BROWNE
TELL THEM VIKINGS DON'T COMPLAIN!

WHEN WILL FEIFFER BE BACK!?

THE SMALL CROSSWORD



No. 9,229 . . . by TIM McKAY

Across

1. Monies, sir, is what I'M mixed up in. (9)
6. Once more. (5)
7. Couch. (4)
9. Having in mind. (9)
10. Regiment. (4)
12. Baltic or North. (3)
14. Severe. (9)
15. Timber business. (4, 5)
17. Towards the Continent. (8)
20. Communist. (3)
21. One kind of anchor. (5)
22. Without finish. (9)

Down

1. Kent town. (9)
2. Light. (6)
3. Steeped. (9)
4. Tavern. (3)
5. Din. (5)
8. Jewel. (5)
11. Import. (6)
13. Finishes. (4)
16. Puts on the extras. (4)
18. Container. (3)
19. Lock needs one. (3)

DID YOU KNOW?

WHEN a book called Febrile Diseases was returned to a Cincinatti library in 1968, the librarian discovered it had been borrowed 145 years earlier.

DID YOU KNOW?

KURU, or Laughing Sickness, affects only members of the Fore tribe of eastern New Guinea, and is 100 per cent. fatal. It is transmitted by the cannibalistic practice of eating human brains.

DID YOU KNOW?

● **SEVENTEENTH - CENTURY** forgers sometimes made fake gold coins out of platinum. Today platinum is more valuable than gold and much rarer.

● **THE ROMANS** used the tails of horses and oxen to make paint brushes. Our word pencil comes from the Latin "penicillus," meaning a little tail.

MIRRORGRAM

REARRANGE the letters below to make the name of an actor:

SLOW SNAIL,
MIMI.

Guess Who

A FAMOUS actor who's got even less hair now. He's been acting like a king for years. Meet him again on Page 31.

MIND BENDER

SIMON rode his bicycle to Matthew's house at a steady nine miles an hour. But as he arrived, the chain broke. "I'll have to walk back," he groaned. Matthew looked at his watch. "Can we play for two hours before you leave?" he asked. Simon nodded, and when he finally returned home, having walked back at three miles an hour, he found he had been away for six hours. How far away was Matthew's house? Answer at the foot of the page.

MIND BENDER ANSWER

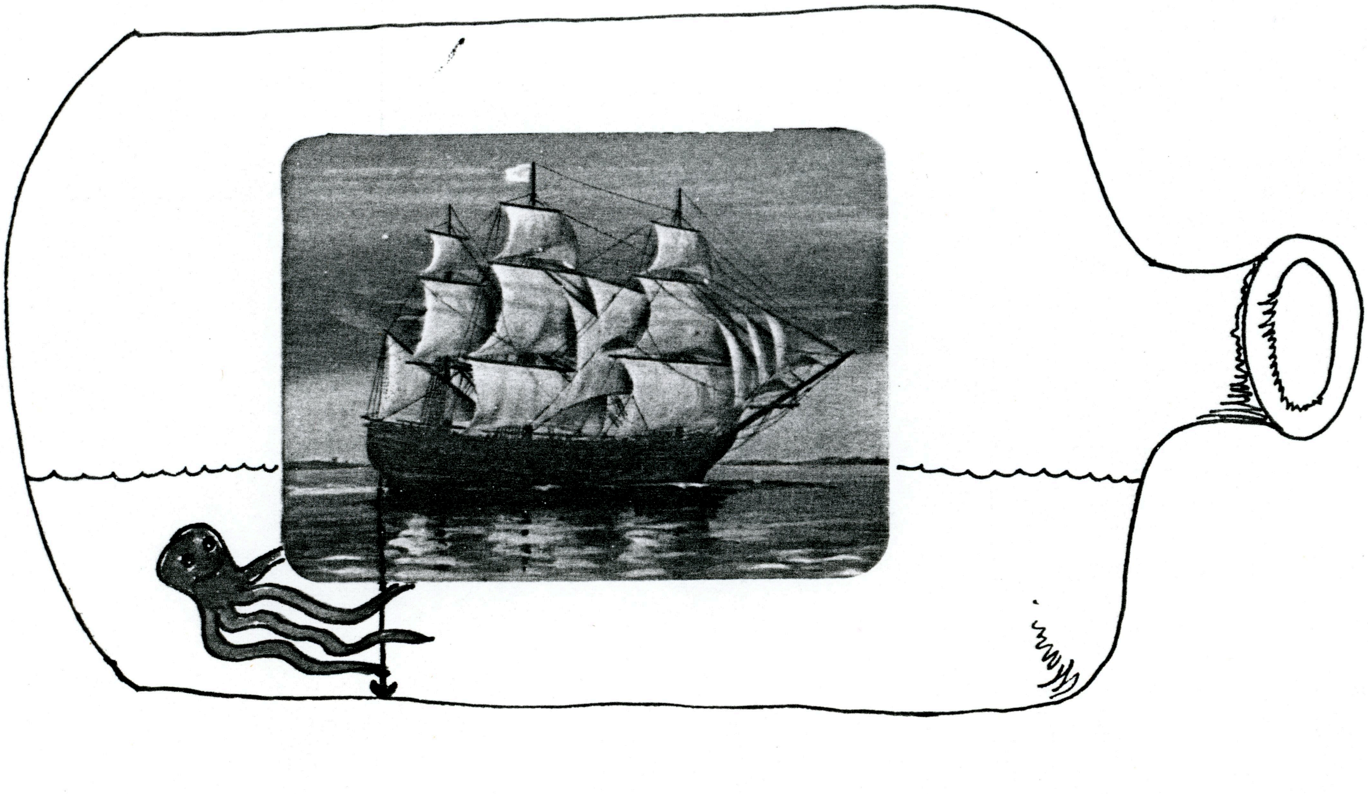
Matthew lived nine miles away. Simon cycled there in one hour, spent two hours' playing, and walked home in three hours.

SPACE FOR DOODLING

IT COULD BE NEW ENGLAND,
BUT THE WATER'S TOO BLUE.
I COULD GET A QUICK TAN,
BUT "NO CAN DO".
I'D LIKE TO CALL YOU,
BUT I CAN'T GET THROUGH -
I GOT THE MALTESE BLUES.
OH . . . . . YEAH,
I GOT THE MALTESE BLUES.

— THRUSH

(IT WAS JUST A LARK)



It's the Sale of a Family!

By ASHLEY WALTON

FOR SALE: Genuine English family. Hard working, house trained and slightly disillusioned.

Fed-up Trevor Gear, 42, has advertised his entire family in the "for sale" columns of a dozen local American newspapers in the search for a new life.

He has offered himself his 40-year-old wife Pat, and children Alan, 18, and Sharon, 16.

"I'm perfectly serious," Mr Gear said last night at his home in Lonsdale Road, Southend, Essex.

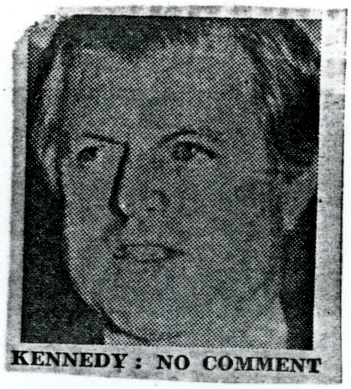
"But I'm not offering my family as slaves to anyone. It's more like trying to find a sponsor."

His advertisement reads:

"English family offered in exchange for new opportunity in your country. Loyalty and hard work. Anything considered."

Mr Gear, a self-employed electrician, claims he has tried without success to make a living in England.

"I spent all my savings moving here to open a shop, but it failed," he said.



KENNEDY: NO COMMENT

HOME FROM HOME

ANKARA: A Turkish convict feels quite at home behind the bars of his cell—for he is the proud owner of the whole prison. Inmate Semsettin Semsettin, serving 18 months for carrying an unlicensed gun, paid about £6,000 for the building at Incesu in Central Anatolia, which is leased to the Turkish Government as a jail.

A TEACHER who terrified pupils by telling them nuclear war had been declared was just making them politically aware, a head master said yesterday.

Anti-boob girls

PIN-UP calendars are being sent by the Post Office to building contractors—to warn them against digging up telephone lines. Pictures of scantily-clad girls carry phone numbers through which the location of cables can be checked.

CARE TO PLACE
AN AD?
CALL 104 AT THE
HOLIDAY CENTRE.
ASK FOR JEANETTE
THRUSH.

He bared the lot

THREE policewomen were in for a shock when they joined a hen party on a "winkle trip" down the Thames, a court heard yesterday.

The main attraction for the 100 eager ladies was . . . a male stripper called The Rhinestone Cowboy.

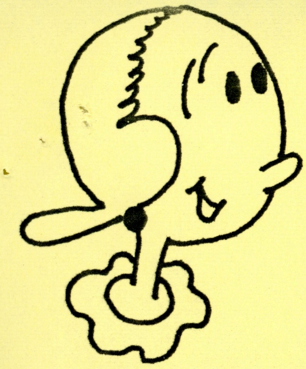
But, according to the policewomen, his act got out of hand when he stripped completely naked and moved among the audience on the pleasure boat Enchante.

The policewomen claimed that some of the party were so shocked they got up and left —and others wept with fear.

The armpit economist

★ AT the age of 40, **Lord Sudeley**, a vice-president of the Prayer Book Society—who once confessed to an academic interest in necrophilia—will wed on Friday after a brief romance. His wife-to-be is the **Marquis of Londonderry's** cousin, divorcee **Elizabeth Villiers**, 38, who tells me Lord S, or **Merlin**, as he is sometimes known, has already moved in.

GOLD IS STILL A BARGAIN!
THE POUND IS DOWN AS A
RESULT OF PAUL, M.B.E.,
BEING JAILED IN TOKYO!
COLD WAR IS SAVING THE $!



THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

SUNDAYS
EQUALS
TUESDAYS -
J. W. W.

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, WE ~~WERE~~ DID IT!

No Maltese injured in San Francisco earthquake

☐ FROM investigations carried out by the Malta Embassy in Washington it does not appear that any Maltese national was injured as a result of the earthquake in California, last week.

IRISH AND WATER

QUOTE from the Irish garage proprietor who unwittingly filled up a fleet of cars with water :—

"Obviously it was a human error. We weren't to blame."

QUOTE by Dustin Hoffman on receiving New York Film Critics' award for his performance in Kramer Vs Kramer: 'I'm very grateful. But I still don't know most of you people (critics). And you are the people who have really (expletive deleted) us over the years.'

Rapes

"I try to jolly them along. We have a cup of tea and I try to relax them.

"I'm a good skier. But I noticed that the young man ski-ing towards me was Prince Charles. Suddenly I was weak and skied into him."

POPULAR: Juliana

Juliana steps down

HOLLAND'S Queen Juliana is to abdicate to make way for her eldest daughter, Crown Princess Beatrix.

The homely but hugely popular queen—one of the world's richest women—went on TV last night to announce that she will step down on April 30, her 71st birthday. Princess Beatrix was 42 yesterday.

Queen Juliana succeeded her mother Queen Wilhelmina — who also abdicated—in 1948.

Several crises rocked her throne—the biggest being the Lockheed bribes scandal in 1976 in which her husband Prince Bernhard was implicated.

ALL men have been banned from a laboratory making the Pill . . . because one male worker began to develop breasts.

Paul loves enemas, all kinds. He searches endlessly for unusual tecniques. Then he meets Barbara who has been searching for someone like Paul.

MUST I PUT UP WITH IT?

Of course not!

DID YOU KNOW?

THE human eye blinks twenty times every minute.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology says the speed of a sneeze can sometimes reach 100mph.

Lost Innocence

SOMETHING very strange seems to be happening inside the White House. Jimmy Carter is behaving like a character from science fiction melodrama. Almost overnight, he appears to have changed from cooing dove to squawking hawk.

At last . . the real thing

CHURCHES in Uganda have been using Coca-Cola for services because of a shortage of Communion wine. But churchgoers in Swindon, Wilts., are raising cash to send out a case of the real thing.

Goodnight, Mr Durante

By TOM MERRIN

JIMMY : A legend

JIMMY "Schnozzle" Durante died yesterday, aged 86.

For more than sixty years the gravel-voiced clown had delighted audiences with his outrageous nose, and one-line gags delivered in a broad Brooklyn accent.

The son of Italian immigrants, Durante started his career as a bar-room piano player and soared to stardom in musicals, films, and television.

His catch phrases such as "Stop da music" and "Goodnight Mrs. Calabash, wherever you are," made him one of the best-loved comedians of all time.

The veteran clown was rushed to hospital in California three weeks ago suffering from pneumonia.

ROCKFORD FILES £1 MILLION CLAIM

From PAUL CONNEW in Los Angeles

BATTERED actor James Garner, the private eye in TV's Rockford Files, is suing a brother and sister for £1 million. He claims they beat him up after a minor traffic accident.

The two, Aubrey Williams, 35, and his 25-year-old sister, Debbie, are already awaiting trial in Los Angeles accused of battering and robbing 51-year-old Garner.

A friend of the Williams said yesterday: "Garner's got to be joking. They're not millionaires."

Law suits seem to be the star's scene recently.

He is being sued for £750,000 by the makers of the Rockford shows, who claim he quit before the end of his contract.

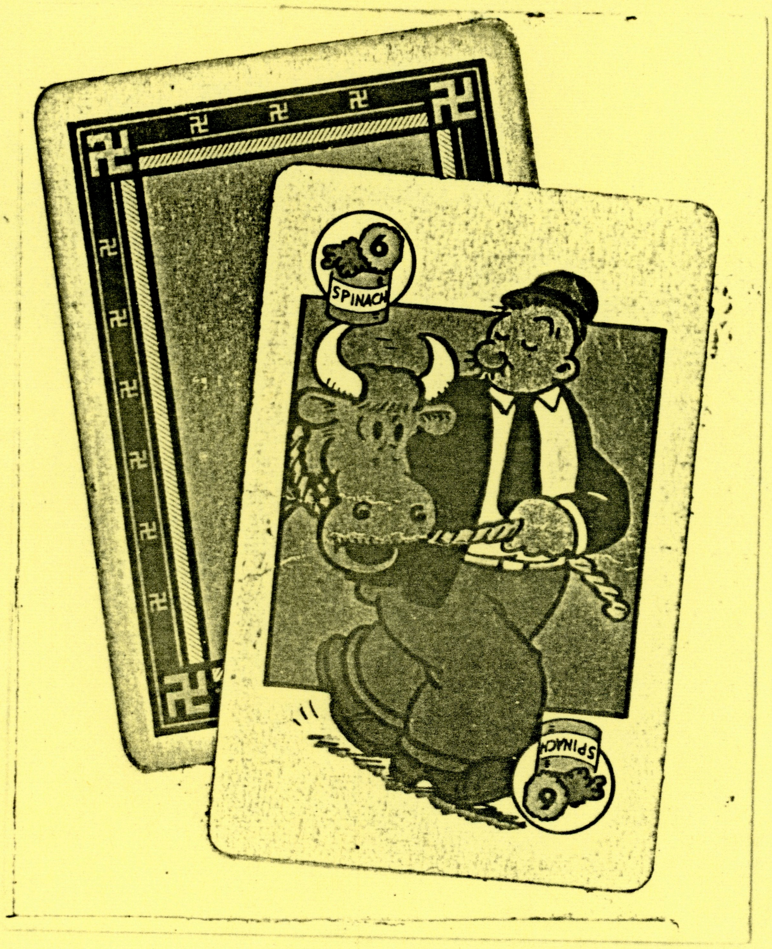
SPACE-AGE PILL THAT PUTS A STOP TO BAD TEMPERS

THE ERA AND SWEETHAVEN'S RIGHT WING POSTURE......

An Editorial
By
Tom Wicked

Mr. or Ms. Phil Snaffly, as the case may be (since the question of his or her sex has never been accurately defined to this reporter's satisfaction) is a known lobbiest for anti-ERA proponents and has joined forces with Anita Tangerine, The Florida Firecracker, and between the two of them have come up with the preposterous premise that passage of this ammendment would mean that both men and women - male and female - boys and girls - gays and guys - lezzes and lasses, would have to share the same toilets. Ha! I say - what a spineless argument.

There are no toilets in Sweethaven.



'No-one rocks the boat in a nation of non-swimmers'

FALCON DROPPING~~'~~S ← ATYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR

BY JET-SET REPORTER & EAVESDROPPER,
JEANETTE THRUSH (COLLO DE CHINO)

DID YOU KNOW...?

THAT PETER BRAY WILL BE 21 ON TUESDAY!? (IF IT'S A LIE, HIS MOM IS RESPONSIBLE.)

THAT FREDDIES BAR IS THE BEST HANG-OUT AROUND!?

THAT THERE WAS A SMALL FIRE IN THE PROPS. DEPT. SAT. NITE!?! WATCH THOSE CIGARETTES, FOLKS, AND KEEP YOUR DISTANCE FROM THOSE HEATERS!

THAT WIMPY HAS BECOME ANOREXIC?! THAT OLIVE IS ANOREXIC?!

THAT SALLY PARKS IS STILL PREGNANT!?

THAT WIMPY BROKE HIS TOILET SEAT ONE LOVELY AFTERNOON!

THAT YOU ARE PAYING 30¢ TO HAVE YOUR LAUNDRY BAG CLEANED!?

THAT IT'S O.K. TO USE THE POOL AT THE HOLIDAY CENTER - IT'S HEATED AND BIG ENOUGH FOR THE OLYMPICS!

WE DESPERATELY NEED ALL YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. PLEASE CONTACT MISS THRUSH!!!

TRUE CONFESSIONS

Tough guy tells tales

DEAR READERS,
IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GET ANYONE TO CONFESS AROUND HERE. MAYBE WE CAN ARRANGE GROUP CONFESSIONS. MAYBE THAT WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL YOU SECRET SINNERS.....

IF YOU TOO WOULD LIKE TO CONFESS, JUST CONTACT SISTER MARIA AUDUBON - SHE WILL LISTEN

(JEANETTE THRUSH NEVER SPILLS)
HER OWN BEANS.

AMERICA'S black population grew at more than twice the rate of the white population between 1970 and 1979, and now numbers 26 million, the Census Bureau revealed yesterday.

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THE SOCIETY for the Scientific Study of Sex, I can reveal, is claiming that men who derive a sense of sexual power from the size of their cars are being 'traumatised' by the energy shortage.

But by being made aware of this, the society says that the Macho Man can learn to squeeze into a small car and suffer no consequent loss to his potency.

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CASABLANCA, a popular Manhattan Disco, has started screening patrons with a metal detector to keep out gun-carrying dancers.

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AMERICAN scientists are starting trials of a new contraceptive, based on synthetic brain chemicals, that could supplant the current controversial Pill and be used by both sexes.

LOVE LETTERS AND ADVICE

IF YOU'D LIKE TO EXPOSE A LOVER IN PRINT, JUST GIVE US YOUR LETTER OR CARD RECEIVED.

Disaster for Dicks

I'm just a two timing bitch

RABBI GROSBARD
GROSBEAK
SEZ:

I. IN THE BEGINNER'S MIND, THERE ARE MANY POSSIBILITIES.
IN THE EXPERT'S MIND THERE ARE FEW.

II. IT TAKES ONE TO KNOW ONE.

YELLOW JOURNALISM HITS SWEETHAVEN!

A SHORT PAGE, BUT EDUCATIONAL, NEVERTHELESS.

A HUNTED MAN

THERE is something about hunting which sends otherwise normal people slightly potty.

Famous shorties

HERE is a list of some of the shorties who made it big in history.

- St Francis of Assisi 5ft 1in
- American mass murderer Charles Manson 5ft 2in
- Lawrence of Arabia 5ft 5½in
- Horatio, Lord Nelson 5ft 4in
- Spaceman Yuri Gagarin 5ft 2in
- Matilda, wife of William the Conqueror 4ft 2in
- Grand prix driver Mario Andretti 5ft 3in
- Napoleon Bonaparte 5ft 7in
- Marquis de Sade 5ft 2in
- King Charles I, 5ft 2½in—even before he lost his head.
- But Henry VIII was 6ft tall. Maybe that's why so many girls lost their heads over him.

Eric's the tops for tall stories

PEOPLE have been making jokes about other people's height since David threw stones at Goliath's kneecaps.

Napoleon Bonaparte has been the butt of many of them.

Like these, from Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise:

WISE: When Josephine met Napoleon she immediately fell madly in love with him.

MORECAMBE: Despite the fact that he used to shelter from the rain by standing under his horse.

WISE: Do you mind! Napoleon stood five feet in his socks.

MORECAMBE: Five feet in his socks? Most people have only two feet in them!

WISE: Josephine did not mind his lack of stature. Her attitude was . . .

MORECAMBE: Better to have loved a short man than never to have loved a tall.

■ **COMEDY** team Sid Little and Eddie Large include lots of long and short cracks in their routine. Like these:

LARGE: Sid is so little that his first job was as a hod carrier for Lego.

LITTLE: What about the spaceman who met a beautiful green Martian lady 10ft tall?

LARGE: Did he say: "Take me to your leader?"

LITTLE: No, he said: "Take me to your ladder. I'll see your leader later."

TODAYS COCKNEY

DOG & BONE = PHONE
DUSTBIN LIDS = KIDS
CUTS & SCRATCHES = MATCH
FIELD OF WHEAT = STREET
COCOA = SAY SO
COCKROACH = COACH
SKIN & BLISTER = SISTER
HIT & MISS = PISS
GINGER BEER = QUEER
DICKY BIRD = WORD
KHYBER PASS = ASS
JOANNA = PIANO
ELEPHANTS TRUNK = DRUNK
BAZAAR = BAR
TIT FOR TAT = HAT

A LITTLE LIE

AN OBSESSION with height has come to be known as a Napoleon complex.

Napoleon was 5ft 7in. — about average height for his time.

But he seemed shorter, because he was surrounded by tall generals and aides.

And we always lied about how short he was because he was our enemy.

TODAY'S LATIN

TEPEŌ, UĪ - 2 TO BE WARM; TO BE IN LOVE
TEPIDUS - 3 TEPID, WARM; COOL, FAINT, ~~LIQUID~~. LANGUID
ŌSCULOR - TO KISS, CARESS
PĀCŌ - TO PACIFY, SUBDUE
ET UX - AND WIFE
IUCUNDITĀS, ĀTIS - PLEASANTNESS, CHEERFULNESS

Linda . . . "We are all pretty girls."

Pay-off for girl on the shelf

THIRTEEN sad bachelor girls have cheered themselves up . . . by offering a cash prize to those who fail to find a husband.

They have formed the Association of Reluctant Spinsters.

College

And they have put up £150 in consolation money to be split among members who fail to marry by the time they are 30.

The girls, who attended college together at Retford, Notts, and are in their early twenties, all want to wed.

Linda Collins, 22, said: "We're all charming girls. We're not battleaxes.

"Romance hasn't passed us by — but marriage has."

Women are still the weedy sex

MOONLIGHT PICK-ME-UPS

■ **MOLASSES** is a valuable aid to sexy, healthy living. It contains eight valuable minerals plus Vitamin B.

MIGHTY BLOW

My friend and I were

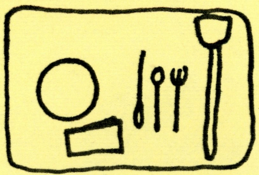
Wolf walks on the wild side

EDITOYL OPINION:

GENERAL CONSENSUS

WANTED: EITHER - OR
FLYSWATTERS OR
ELECTRIC CHAMBERS
FOR THE CANTEEN

BOTTLED WATER FOR TEA

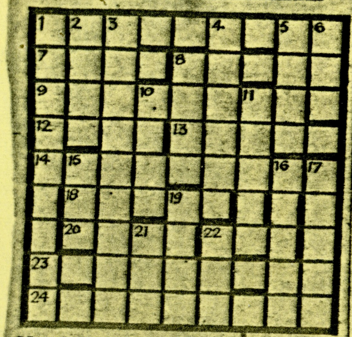


← YOUR TRAY ASSEMBLED

MUST WE RESORT TO THIS?!

AMUSE YOURSELF

THE SMALL CROSSWORD



No. 9,219 . . . by TIM McKAY

Across

1. Teaches. (9)
7. Gentle. (4)
8. Pry. (5)
9. Scent shop. (9)
12. Rim. (4)
13. Talked in delirium. (5)
14. Recited a long list quickly. (6, 3)
18. Machine tool. (5)
20. Joint. (4)
22. Implore. (3)
23. Price-list. (9)
24. Examination question. (4, 5)

Down

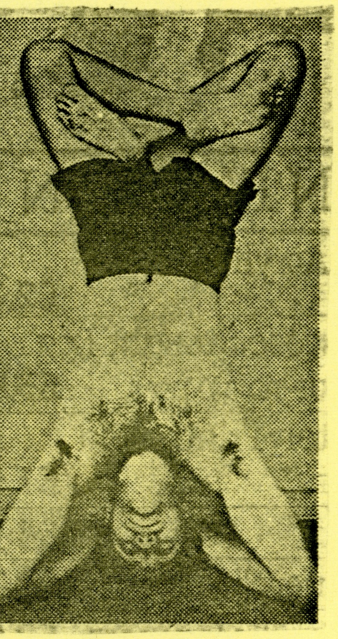
1. Faulty. (9)
2. Necessity. (4)
3. Non-commissioned officers. (9)
4. Not manufactured. (6)
5. Ripped. (4)
6. Secret agent. (3)
8. Certain. (4)
10. Closely-matted fabric of wool or hair. (4)
11. Call up. (5)
15. Allied to the moose. (3)
16. Musical composition. (5)
17. Aviator. (5)
19. Aid. (4)
21. Consume. (3)
22. Snake. (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

ACROSS: 1, Front page. 7, Refer. 8, Anna. 10, Off colour. 11, Despite. 13, Terrified. 16, Date. 17, Ore. 18, Local. 20, Nil. 21, Trill. 22, Royal blue. DOWN: 1, Front door. 2, Offertory. 3, Tropic. 4, Pal. 5, Gnu. 6, Earl. 9, Notional. 11, Dealt. 12, Eerie. 14, Fall. 15, Delve. 19, All.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The truest characters of ignorance are vanity, and pride, and arrogance.—SAMUEL BUTLER (1835-1902).



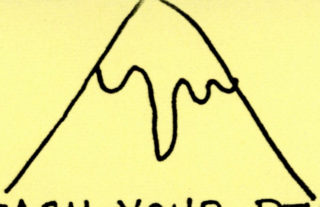
WHO IS THIS MAN?

IN SLIEMA

ALHAMBRA Dial 513463
Kabir Bedi, Peter Ustinov in
THE THIEF OF BAGHDAD (U)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 p.m.
Saturday late night show at 11
DRIVER (16)
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release

MAJESTIC Dial 513368
Vanessa Redgrave,
Jason Robards in
JULIA (U)
Winner of 2 Academy Awards
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 pm
K.R.S. Film Distributors Ltd. release
Saturday late night show at 11
HOW TO KILL A JUDGE (16)

PLAZA Dial 513508
Brad Davis in
MIDNIGHT EXPRESS (18)
(shot entirely on location in Malta)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 pm
Saturday matinee at 10
IT'S IN THE AIR (U)
Children 20c, Adults 25c
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release



REACH YOUR PEAK
(WITH PARAMOUNT)

STATE BIRD OF SWEETHAVEN
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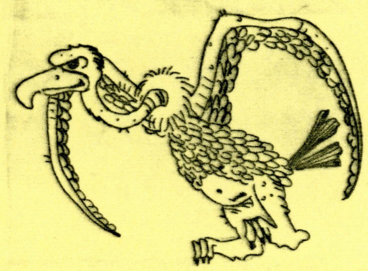
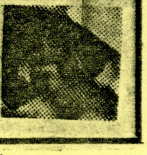


A PLUCKED
FALCON
(HE HAD A GOOD TIME)

THE NAME GAME

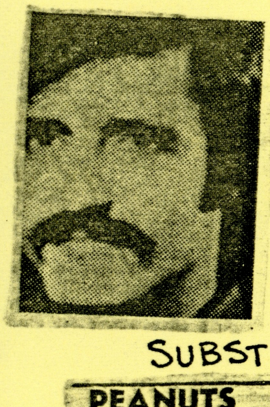
● HOW TO PLAY: Each clue leads to a well-known name. Put the initials or stated letter in the appropriate squares to get the answer.

7 & 2	The British comedian's daughter who starred with Bogart in High Sierra.
9	These singing sisters are apparently in the mood for dancing.
8 & 11	The man behind TW3 now introduces Friday Night, Saturday Morning.
3	Jane, the actress who was Solitaire in Live And Let Die (second letter of surname).
6 & 12	Do you need a clue to identify the actress who was Alf Garnett's daughter?
1 & 10	His theory of relativity revolutionised scientific thinking.
5 & 4	He starred in High Noon and won an Oscar as Sergeant York.



● YESTERDAY: West Indies cricket star VIV RICHARDS (Ivor, Salter, Dustin Hoffman, (Bette) Midler, Cyrus Vance, Rudolph Valentino, Richard Adams). Another Name Game in The Sun on Monday.

Wolves chase ace



ALVARO, "LE MACCHIODORE INCARZESCHION."
VUOLE VOLARE COME UN AUGELLO!

MIRRORGRAM

REARRANGE the letters below to make the name of a TV series:

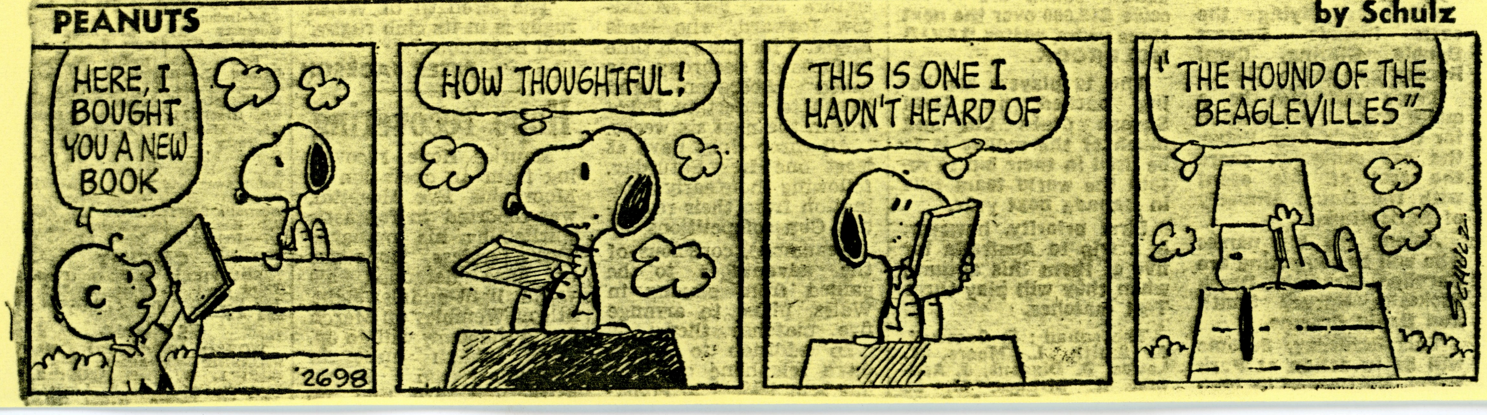
THE TOY HEATHENS MAY GO WEST

Yesterday's solution: THE MASTER GAME.

FOR DOODLING:

SUBSTITUTING THIS WEEK FOR JULES FEIFFER:

PEANUTS by Schulz


HERE, I BOUGHT YOU A NEW BOOK
HOW THOUGHTFUL!
THIS IS ONE I HADN'T HEARD OF
"THE HOUND OF THE BEAGLEVILLES"
SCHULZ
2698

EVERY SILVER LINING
HAS ITS CLOUD...

LEAP DAYS

The recurrence of leap day every fourth year raises a que about the regularity of Ear.. s motion around the Sun. Though this regularity is near-constant, our way of calculating time and the length of day is sadly lacking.

The mean length of the tropical year, from equinox to equinox, is of 365.24219 days, while the calendar year is calculated on a basis of 365 days. The unaccounted for 0.24219 days a year are rounded up as 0.25d for computation purposes, giving a leap day on February 29 of every fourth year.

The 0.25d computation gives an excess of 0.0078 days a year which again accumulates to one day (0.9984d more precisely) every 128 years, or 0.78d each century. It would therefore be necessary to make up this difference by dropping leap days in century years the first two numbers of which are not divisible by four.

Thus 1900 was not a leap year, the same as 1800 and 1700 were not leap years: but 1600 was, and so will the years 2000, 2400 and 2800 unless by that time a more uniform system of computing the terrestrial day is adopted and leap days are done away with.

When Pope Gregory introduced the foregoing correction in the calendar in 1582, October 4 was immediately followed by October 15 so as to eliminate the 10-day error which had accumulated over a period of some 1628 years since the time of the adoption of the Julian calendar in 46 B.C.

Julius Caesar had adopted the Julian Calendar on the advice of Roman astronomers after he found the year to be 90 days in advance of the real time. He was the first to adopt the calculation of time by the solar year, fixing the average length at 365.25 days.

After the adoption of the Gregorian Calendar, England held on to the old Julian system till 1752 by which time the error had accumulated to 11 days. The error was rectified by having September 2, 1752, immediately followed by September 14. The beginning of the year was also at the time changed to January 1 from the old April 6. A remnant of this system in present-day Britain is the computation of the Financial Year as from April 1.

THE SOLAR SYSTEM

by V.J.C.

Following superior conjunction with Earth on the far side of the Sun, Mercury is fast emerging as an early evening object setting shortly after the Sun. The planet's magnitude ranges from a bright -1.0 at the beginning of the month to 0.9 towards its end. Mercury is best seen during the first week of the month when its phase would be 92% at elongation 11 deg. east of the Sun, 188.8 million km. away from Earth. Maximum elongation 18 deg. east is reached on February 21 when the planet could be seen at its highest altitude between Venus and the horizon.

Venus elongates further east of the Sun, reaching elongation 41 deg. towards the end of the month at magnitude -3.7 phase 71%. The misty planet sets SWW of the Sun up to two hours after sunset. Mercury and Venus could be seen in close proximity in the early evening sky throughout the month, with Mercury being always lower on the horizon.,

The Mars, Jupiter, Saturn threesome could still be seen in very close proximity in the night sky. Jupiter and Mars will be in opposition with Earth on February 24 and 25 respectively, and will currently be close to each other in Leo, a few degrees east and south of Regulus.

The proximity of Jupiter and Mars to each other is most impressive as could be seen on February 24/25. Jupiter's 45 arc-second-wide disc shines at magnitude —2.1, while that of Mars, 14 arc-seconds-wide, shines at magnitude -1.0 and is getting to be more distinctively red in colour.

Till January 17 at 09 hours Mars was proceeding in direct easterly motion receding back towards Jupiter to the West. Both planets are now heading in westerly (retrograde) direction towards Regulus, to be again in-conjunction with Earth throughout the latter part of February at the time of their opposition.

In its current backtrack against the stars, as Mars is overtaken by the faster moving Earth, the re planet will be seen to head further west of Jupiter afte conjunction until it reaches a second stationary point on April 7. The planet will then start moving east again in time for a third and final conjunction until it reaches a second stationary point on April 7. The planet will then start moving east again in time for a third and final conjunction with Jupiter in May, five months after the first series of three conjunctions which took place on December 13 at 18h when Mars was seen to be 1.7 deg. north of Jupiter.

Faint Saturn, shining at magnitude 0.9, lies 11 deg. east of Jupiter in Virgo, south of Denebola in Leo. The planet's 17 arc-seconds-wide disc is about 24 moonbreaths away from Jupiter, or about the distance covered by the Moon against the star background in one day. On February 21 the ringed planet will be 1,278.3 million km, away from Earth.

Rising at 03h at the beginning of the month, Uranus moves slowly eastwards in Libra at magnitude 5.9. Neptune was in farside conjunction with Earth on December 12 (21h) and is now visible in the far south of Ophiuchus rising at 05h at the beginning of the month. At magnitude 7.8, Neptune is a telescopically observable object.

ECLIPSES

The New Moon of February 16 will bring along with it a total eclipse of the Sun visible from the west coast of Africa to southern China. The narrow path along which the 4 min 8 sec total eclipse would be visible will range from Zaire to Tanzania, southern Kenya, the Arabian Sea, southern India, Burma, and the Yunnan province in southern China. The eclipse is best visible south of Nairobi, in Kenya, with maximum occultation of the Sun taking place at 09.22h.

A penumbral eclipse of the Moon, which is generally visible in Europe and Africa, including Malta, will take place on March 1 at the time of the Full Moon. The Moon will enter penumbra at 19.43h and leave at 23.47h.

Definitely lost in the milky way

☆ **THE SCRIPT** calls for gallons of asses' milk in this week's episode of "Watch This Space" (BBC1 at 8.30).

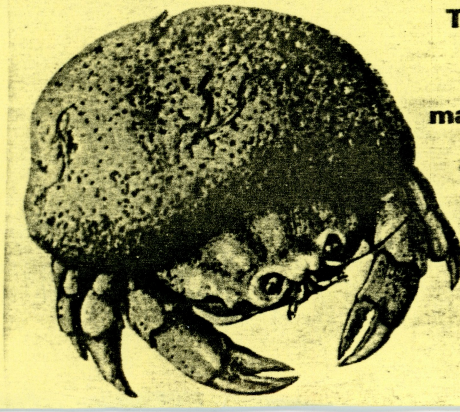
But I think the show needs something a bit stronger to give it more punch. Liza Goddard and Peter Blake as the husband-and-wife advertising agency team are, I fear, struggling with a no-hoper.

Tonight they've got to dream up a publicity package for a new beauty product, containing that asses' milk.

I
YAM
A
BRIGHT
AND
SHINING
STAR
IN
THE
CINEMA
FIRMAMENT. -

JEAN
HARLOW

FEBRUARY NIGHT SKY GUIDE



This wool crab has made itself a sponge hat

DIARY

Feb.1. 03.21h Full Moon.

Feb. 5. 02h Lunar apogee.

Feb. 7. Minimum of Algol, 05.12h

Feb. 9. 08.35h. Last Quarter

Feb. 10. Minimum of Algol, 02h.

Feb.11. Venus at elongation 40 deg. east of the Sun, 165.6 mill. km. away from Earth.

Feb. 12. Minimum of Algol, 22.48h

Feb. 15. Minimum of Algol, 19.36h.

Feb. 16. 09.51h New Moon. Total Eclipse of the Sun, visible from Africa to SE Asia.

Feb. 17. 09h Lunar perigee

Feb. 21. Mercury at maximum elongation 18 deg. east of the Sun. 134.2 mill. km away from Earth.

Feb. 23. 01.14h First Qua[illegible]

Feb. 24. 19h Jupiter in opposition, 660 mill. [illegible] away from Earth

Feb. 25. Mars in opposition, 100 mill. km away from Earth.

Feb. 27. Minimum of Algol, 06.54h.

TODAY'S FASHION

Hats for all heads!

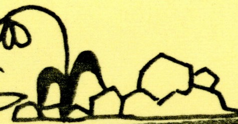
UGLY!! – O.O.

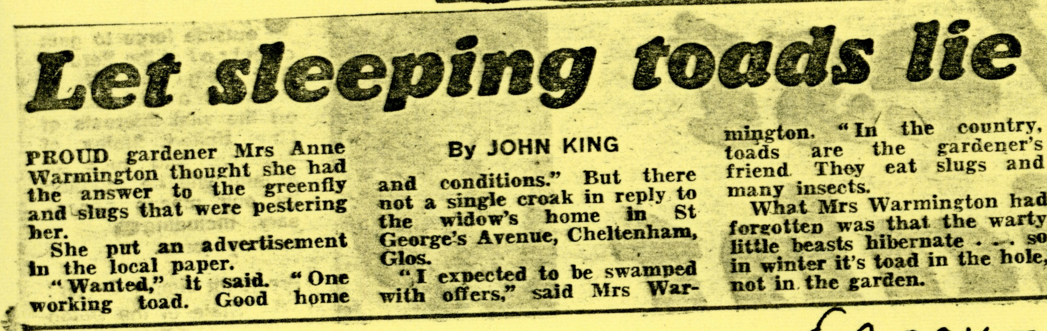
CUTE!! – S.B.

DO YOU REALIZE HOW MANY UGLY, UNCOMFORTABLE HATS THERE ARE IN SWEETHAVEN!? (THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT.) WHY WOULD THEY MANUFACTURE DELIBERATE UGLINESS UNLESS THEY WANTED US TO LOOK UGLY?! AND WHY DO THEY WANT US TO LOOK UGLY? WELL, THAT'S THE POINT, ISN'T IT? IF WE FIND THAT OUT, WE FIND OUT EVERYTHING. I PERSONALLY THINK THEY DESIGN UGLIER HATS EACH YEAR. THAT THEY DO IT FOR FUN; TO WATCH ALL US GOONS WALK AROUND IN THEM. AT LEAST THEY CAN SEE IF THEY'RE MAKING A FORTUNE AS THEY WALK DOWN 5TH AVENUE. IT'S A BLOODY CONSPIRACY! A CONSPIRACY TO MAKE DENTS IN OUR FOREHEADS THAT ITCH WHEN YOU REMOVE THE UGLY THING. TO COVER OUR EARS SO WE CAN'T HEAR A THING. IT'S ALL SO DISGUSTIPATING, IF YOU AXE ME!

– THIS HAS BEEN AN EDITOYL OPINION.

GARDENING





Let sleeping toads lie

By JOHN KING

PROUD gardener Mrs Anne Warmington thought she had the answer to the greenfly and slugs that were pestering her.

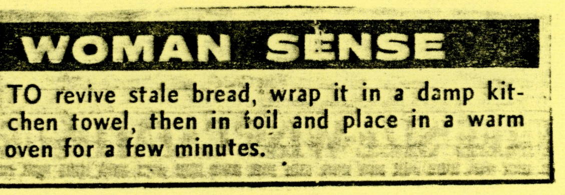
She put an advertisement in the local paper.

"Wanted," it said. "One working toad. Good home and conditions." But there not a single croak in reply to the widow's home in St George's Avenue, Cheltenham, Glos.

"I expected to be swamped with offers," said Mrs Warmington. "In the country, toads are the gardener's friend. They eat slugs and many insects.

What Mrs Warmington had forgotten was that the warty little beasts hibernate . . . so in winter it's toad in the hole, not in the garden.

{COOKERY}



WOMAN SENSE

TO revive stale bread, wrap it in a damp kitchen towel, then in foil and place in a warm oven for a few minutes.

OR MAKE FRENCH TOAST...

POOPDECK PRODUCTIONS AND THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE:

TARXIEN TALENT SCOUTS
A/K/A
THE ROUGHOUSE REVUE

A GALA EVENT!

SAT. FEB. 9 AT 8:00 PM @ MELLIEHA HOLIDAY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM

SOME OF SWEETHAVEN'S BIGGEST NAMES WILL BE ONSTAGE TRYING FOR THEIR BIG BREAK ON THE ROAD TO STARDOM. SOME OF MALTA'S BIGGEST THEATRICAL AGENTS AND PROMOTERS WILL BE THERE TRYING TO DISCOVER THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE WITH THE STUFF THAT WOWS 'EM.

HOPEFUL HEADLINERS INCLUDE.

☞ SEE! SPINACHDIGGERS OF 1980!

☞ ENJOY! BARNACLE BILL'S ANCHOR BAY BEAUTIES ON PARADE!

☞ HEAR! BIRD ROCK FROM THE FALCONS!

☞ OBSERVE! THE UNDERWHIP CIRCUS!

☞ THRILL TO! THE ORATORY OF MAYOR STONEFELLER!

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE.

AN EVENING OF COMEDY, MUSIC, MAGIC, DANCE, AND TOMFOOLERY.

COME TO THE BIG BASH!

DON'T BE BAFFLED WHEN SOMEONE ASKS YOU THE NAMES OF MALTA'S STARS OF TOMORROW.

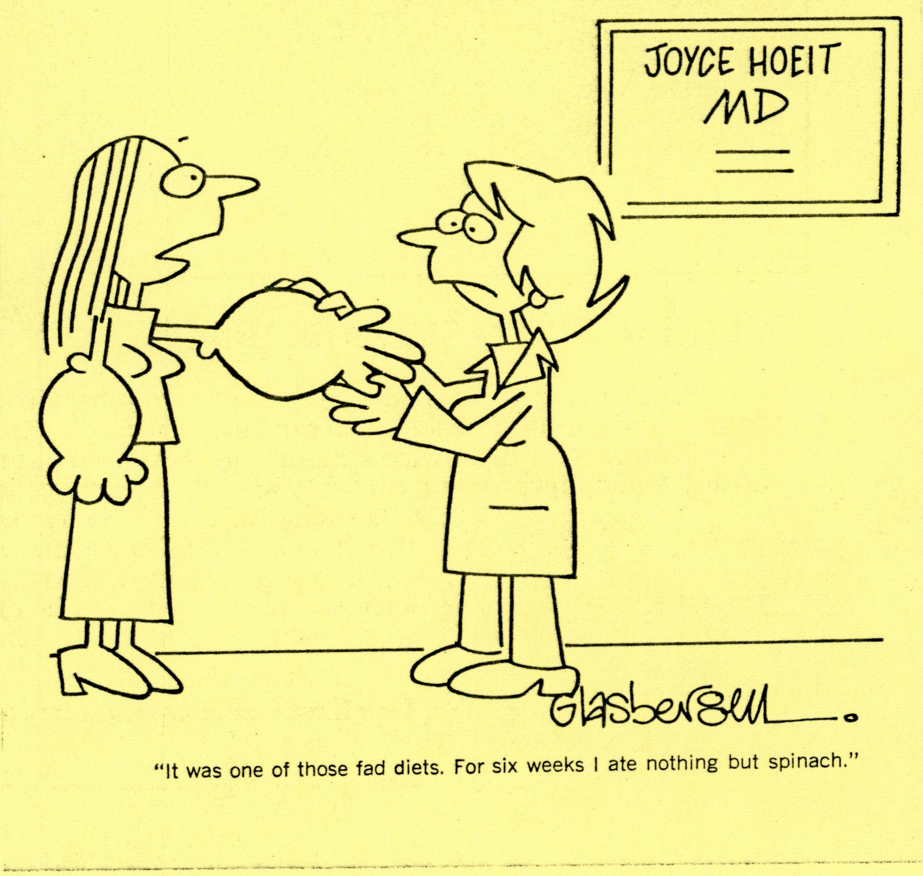
CANDIDATES FOR STARDOM MAY REGISTER WITH SCOTTY BUSHNELL OR ALLAN NICHOL

~~WHEN~~

Love my dog...and you'll love me!

JEEP

OFFICIAL DOG OF SWEETHAVEN



"It was one of those fad diets. For six weeks I ate nothing but spinach."

OLIVE NEVER ATE IT.

JUST A THOUGHT 4 U:

WHY IS "SPORTS" ALWAYS ON THE LAST PAGE?! -BY THE ETTES.

LIBERTY DECKS SWABS 44-42 (WITH FIXED SCOREBOARD)

IT WAS A CLEAR, WARM DAY, BUT THE MOOD WAS COOL AS THE SWEETHAVEN SWABS WENT ON DECK FOR THEIR 1ST GAME OF THE SEASON AGAINST HAMRUN LIBERTY. THEY WERE TIGHT, BUT THEY PLAYED FAST & HARD... AND LOST!! BUT AS FAR AS THIS REPORTER IS CONCERNED, WE HAD THE WINNING TEAM. RUMSEY & BROWN WERE THE STEADY SINKERS, WITH MIKE CHONOS COMING ON STRONG FOR POINTS IN THE SECOND HALF. OTHER BASKETS WERE MADE BY LEVY, GROSNELL, ARKIN, BRISTOL, AND LIBERTINI.

AMONG THE INJURED WERE TEAM CAPTAIN RUMSEY (CRUSHED TOE), BRISTOL (CHEST PAINS WHICH TEMP. HALTED THE GAME, BUT, THERE'S A TROOPER FOR YA' - HE WAS BACK IN THE GAME LATER) AND LIBERTINI, WHO CONCEDED "I COULD'VE SAVE THE GAME IF NOT FOR MY BACK." INJURIES INCURRED BY LIBERTY WERE RETURNED ACCORDINGLY & DESERVEDLY BY NICHOLLS & PELLEGRINI, A.K.A. "SWIFTY." BILL IRWIN & DAVID MCHAREN ADDED TO TEAM EFFORTS.

AND THE Q-TIPS CHEERLEADERS BENT THE EARS OF LIBERTY SUPPORTERS! HATS OFF TO ALL! THANKS TO Q-TIPS! SPECTATOR JOHN GOODWIN SAID "I THINK THIS IS WRONG." ANOTHER OBSERVED, "A SHAM OF A TRAVESTY OF SHAM!" Q-TIP PATTY KATZ CALLED IT "A GREAT INJUSTICE!" ASSISTANT COACH DAHLIN SAID "I THOUGHT WE WON BY ONE POINT." STAR PLAYER C. BROWN CHEERILY CONCLUDED "BEST GAME OF SOCCER EVER PLAYED

THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

SAT.
EQUALS
FRiDAY

iF iT'S SCANDALOUS, WE LOVE iT!

WHAT WOULD U PiCK? →

THE Manhattan Laboratory Museum asked the city's school children what they would like to see preserved in a time capsule to be opened in 2080. The pupils, aged 12 and 13, didn't go for the latest John Updike book or Dali painting. Sneakers, skateboards and pocket calculators topped the list.

DO YOU BELiEVE THiS? →

TIP from American insurance tycoon Clement Stone, who is worth £200 million, on how to become a millionaire: Look at yourself in the mirror every morning and say, 'I feel healthy—I feel terrific.' Helps, I suppose, if you're a liar as well.

Creatures of the lochs safe

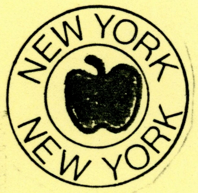
DIAPTOMUS Wierzejiskii can rest easy in his native Loch Spiggie today.

For he is secure in the knowledge he has a friend in the World Wildlife Fund.

In nearby Loch Brow, Crenobia Alpina can breathe a sigh of relief that his watery habitat will remain free from pollution.

These two exotic-sounding creatures, better known as species of flatworm and water flea respectively, are the latest in an increasing list to benefit from conservation grants given by the fund.

To make sure the two Shetland Isles neighbours are safe the fund has helped the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds buy the lochs as a wetland bird reserve.



THiS iS WHAT WE LOOK LiKE

(FOR FALCONS iN TRAiNiNG) →

HOW A PIGEON FINDS ITS WAY HOME

HOMING pigeons who find their own lofts after soaring over thousands of miles have baffled boffins for years. But now two professors have devised their own intriguing theories about the birds—which suggest they are steered home by a tiny sensor inside their heads.

Professor Gerhard Ruhenstroth-Bauer believes they follow a straight course because they have an internal compass.

The professor, who works at the Max Planck Research Institute in Munich, says the pigeons' inborn device works like a zytoferometer—a laboratory machine which measures minute levels of electrical impulse.

When he hung small magnets round their necks, the birds flew round helplessly and could not navigate their way home, even over short distances.

Humans

The professor also suggests that humans have a similar device, although it is not so highly developed. This is shown when lone yachtsmen wake up in the morning and immediately sense when they have drifted off course.

A similar theory has been developed by Professor Charles Walcott, a biologist at the State University of New York. He says he has discovered a tiny amount of iron-rich tissue in pigeons' heads, about a square millimetre in size.

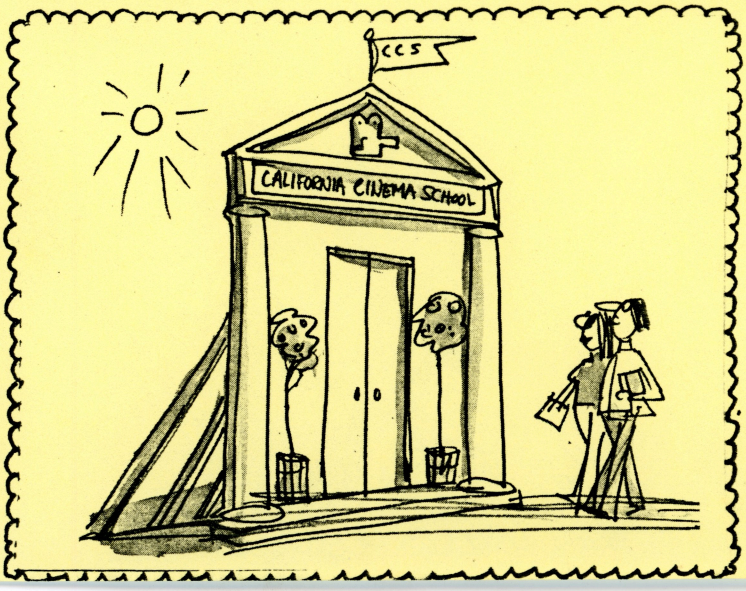
It is believed to contain magnetite, a highly magnetic mineral often called lodestone. A similar substance has been found in bees—who are also brilliant navigators.

It's fish and tips

***AMERICAN** doctor Frank Caprio encourages his patients to keep fish—and observes their choice.*

He claims that one patient who bought a piranha turned out to be an arsonist, and others revealed sadistic characteristics.

The Baltimore doctor says that those who go for goldfish like to play it safe, and placid, broad-minded people prefer a mixture of non-aggressive fish such as guppies or angelfish.



TARGET

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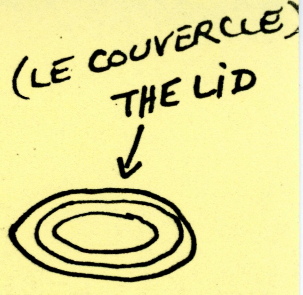
HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters shown here? In making a word, each letter may be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 14 words, good; 17 words, very good; 20 words, excellent. Solution tomorrow.

iT'S GOOD PRACTiCE

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH



PSST! DID YOU KNOW:

THAT NANA OYL IS BASKING IN THE SICILIAN SUN?!

THAT THE FEIFF, OR FIFE, OR FEEF - OH HECK! ANYWAY... HE'S BACK!!

WHAT'S THE BEST KEPT SECRET IN SWEETHAVEN?!

WHAT ROLLING STONE HAS LEFT THE GROUP OF ROCKERS?!

WHAT BEATLE IS PLAYING A CAVEMAN IN MEXICO THIS VERY MOMENT?!

IT'S A FACT - FALCONRY IS ONE OF THE OLDEST SPORTS STILL IN EXISTENCE. IT IS MORE THAN 4000 YEARS OLD, AND REACHED ITS PEAK IN EUROPE IN THE MIDDLE AGES!

WHO SAID "THE TRUTH OF YOUR ART IS IN YOUR IMAGINATION."?

THAT PETER BRAY IS A PUGILIST!?

THAT SWEETHAVENERS ARE SUFFERING FROM XENOPHOBIA?

BILL WYMAN HAS QUIT THE STONES FOR STAR GAZING?

TRICKSTER

Q TEN field-mice and five titmice are standing in a row. How many legs do they have altogether?

ANSWER: 20 (A TITMOUSE IS A BIRD)

BRITISH actress Olivia Hussey, who shot to stardom in the film Romeo and Juliet, has a new love story of her own to tell. She has married 32-year-old Japanese rock singer Akira Fusei in a Hindu ceremony at Miami Beach, Florida. Olivia, 28, was previously married to Dean Martin's son Dino.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Either be wholly slaves, or wholly free.—JOHN DRYDEN (1631-1700).

RIDDLE

Q WHAT come in pairs, are emptied every night and filled every morning?

ANSWER: STOCKINGS

IT'S A FACT THE world's largest doors are at the Space Vehicle Assembly Building near Cape Kennedy, Florida. There are four of them, each 460ft high.

FROM THE EXCHANGE:

A pile in the sky

SCIENTISTS have discovered a lump of gold weighing 1,000,000,000 tons. But there won't be a rush to claim it—it's a planet 175 light years away.

The Americans discovered it by using a satellite which analysed light from space.

OH NO! IT'S OUR TAX MAN!

PHOTO QUIZ

Just for fun... can you identify these wonderful, well-known actors and the productions in these photos?

Answers to Photo Quiz on page 4:

1. Frances Sternhagen and Donald Moffat in Sean O'Casey's COCK-A-DOODLE DANDY /

IS'NT IT AMUSING?

IT'S FULL HOUSE NOW

A GAME of poker has cut down absenteeism at an American factory. Each day a worker is given a card. At the end of the week he has five cards for a poker hand, and the best hand wins a cash prize. Nobody wants to miss a card by not turning up.

COULD THIS BE THE SOLUTION FOR OUR GANG?

FOUR SQUARE

FORT
OBOE
ROLL
TELL

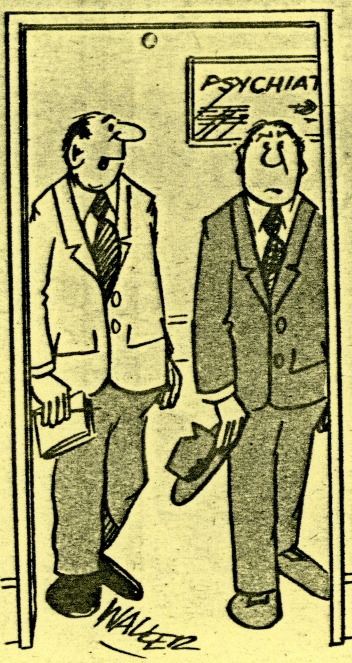
Arrange 16 letters into four-letter words which read the same both across and down. Example on left. The solution is on Page 39.

Here are the 16 letters for this week's puzzle, and a clue to one of the words—but we're not saying which one it is.

A A D D E E E E
E E G G P R R U

Clue: Rim

WORLD'S UGLIEST DOG



"Cheer up and try to believe me—I've had bigger twits than you in here"

SQUARE DEAL

FORM a four-letter word square by solving these clues. Answer below.

1 Fall
2 Anger
3 Giant
4 Skin

BLOOMING CONFUSED

UNSCRAMBLE these letters to name four flowers. Answers below.

1 RANG IDEA
2 LINEN DADO
3 MORE RIPS
4 BERT CUT UP

ANSWERS

BLOOMING CONFUSED

1 Gardenia, 2 Dandelion, 3 Primrose, 4 Buttercup.

POSTAL POSER

11 envelopes

SQUARE DEAL

D R O P
R A G E
O G R E
P E E L

TAKE A TOWN

Blackburn, Newcastle, Liverpool, Cambridge, Leicester, Rotherham, Blackpool, Southport, Mansfield, Stockport, Doncaster and Aldershot.

Famous name

WHO was the author who wrote under the name of "Sapper," which means a soldier in the Royal Engineers?—*John Newbury, Harrow, Middx.*

☐ Ed: He was Major Cyril McNeile who lived from 1888 to 1937 and wrote the famous *Bulldog Drummond* stories.

IN SLIEMA

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David Carradine in
THE SILENT FLUTE (16)
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KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release

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Rosanna Schiaffino in
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PLAZA Dial 513508
Kurt Russel in
ELVIS THE MOVIE (U)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 pm
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release

DID YOU KNOW?

DURING World War II the American Office of Strategic Services concocted a plot to inject female hormones into Hitler's supply of carrots. The idea was that the vegetarian dictator would undergo a sex change.

DID YOU KNOW?

CANADA is so large and parts of it are so remote that even today there is no full and accurate map of the country.

DAISY's DATING SERVICE

girls galore!

WHAT U
WANT
IS WHAT
WE GOT!

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IF THE QUEEN WAS A COCKNEY...

CHANCES are you had to take a ball of chalk along the frog and toad to the newsagent before you could have a butcher's hook at this copy of Weekend.

Nonsense? No—cockney rhyming slang.

For "ball of chalk" read *walk*, for "frog and toad" read *road* and for "butcher's hook" read *look*.

You'll find these, and more, in *Fletcher's Book Of Rhyming Slang* (Pan Books, 80p).

Rhyming slang, writes Ronnie Barker (Fletcher, the legendary lag of TV's *Porridge*) in his latest book, "dates back, as horrible Ives would say, to time immoral.

"At least 150 years, because the wife's mother doesn't remember it starting."

Here are some more examples of rhyming slang: For sun *currant bun;* for head, *loaf of bread;* for pocket, *sky* (from *sky rocket*); for eye, *mince pie;* for hat, *titfer* (from *tit for tat*).

Here's what Ronnie "Fletcher" Barker reckons you would hear if the Queen gave part of her Christmas speech in rhyming slang:

"I greet, too, the Empire, upon which the currant bun never sets. Whether you are in the daft and barmy maintaining law and order in a far flung outpost, or in the Royal soup and gravy, afloat on the high housemaid's knees, I greet you all, with my warmest pots and dishes."

If you want to know what this means, then you'll just have to take a ball and chalk down the frog and toad and buy a copy of Ronnie's Joe Hook.

TODAY'S COCKNEY

APPLE FRITTER = BITTER = BEER
ARISTOTLE = BOTTLE
ARMY & NAVY = GRAVY
ANDY CAIN = RAIN
AUNTIE ELLA = UMBRELLA
AUNTIE NELLIE = BELLY
BOB SQUASH = WASH
BUSHEY PARK = LARK = JOKE
BIRD LIME = TIME
BAT & WICKET = TICKET
BATTLE CRUISER = BOOZER
BEES & HONEY = MONEY
BACON & EGGS = LEGS

MISS ELEGANCE

☐ The Gay Movement of Malta on Saturday, March 8, is organising the Miss Elegance Contest during a dinner dance at the Nigret Night Club, Rabat. Taking part in the contest will be young men dressed up as women.

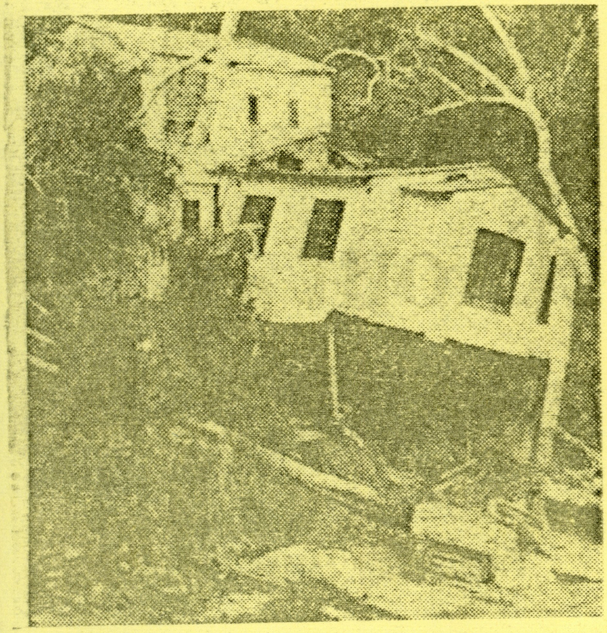
This contest was first held behind closed doors eight years ago. Pictured right is a young man from Sliema who won the contest in 1978/79. The contest was then known as the Miss Banda Contest.

QUID
PRO
QUO!
OR
NO GO!

Cracking the taxman's code...

AN EDITOYL OPINION - BY JEANETTE THRUSH (NOT JUST ANOTHER TERMAGANT!)

IN MY OPINION, WE MUST PILE OUR ACUMEN TOGETHER AND FIGGER THIS THANG OUT! THIS ISN'T JUST ANOTHER DESULTORY PHILLIPIC - WE'VE GOT SPECIFICS! WE'RE TAXED IN & ON OUR HOMES, ON THE STREETS AND FOR OUR PHONES. BUT IT'S NOT ON CAPITAL ALONE - IT'S FOR OUR FOOD, AND EVEN ATTITUDES. THERE MUST BE A NEXUS SOMEWHERE, AND WE'RE GONNA FIND OUT! MAYBE THE ANSWER LIES HIDDEN UNDER THE PENUMBRA OF OUR PROSELYTE PRIEST.. MAYBE IT'S SOMEWHERE IN THE LINEAMENT OF THE PHYSIOGNOMY OF THE PARSIMONIOUS COMMODORE. BUT THEN, WHO'S SEEN HIM? HAVE YOU, COLE? IT'S APODEICTIC - SUMPTHIN'S GOTTA BE DONE!



Toppling : House in Topanga Canyon.

FOR Hollywood, the show had to go on : TV series and movie actors were helicoptered to studios. There were helicopter flights for others too. A pilot in San Diego would whirl you through the storms for £10 but he will not retire on the business he is getting.

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GETTING to work, to the shops, to anywhere is a problem. Many decided to stay put anyway, frightened that the next clap of thunder would be echoed by the sound of their homes collapsing. In the city built for the car six-lane highways were choked with mud and as fast as they were cleared the rains brought more havoc. In a week we have had seven storms, bringing more than twice the annual rainfall. It washed away in minutes what people had worked years to build.

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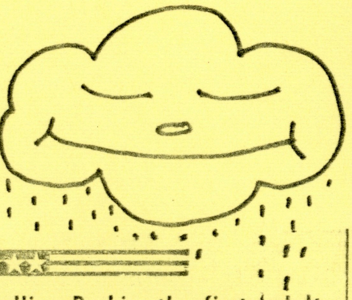
IN Beverly Hills the Red Cross evacuation centre was closed down because residents forced from their homes preferred to pay around £60 a night in the Beverly Wilshire, Beverly Hills and Beverly Hilton hotels. Their mud-splattered Cadillacs and Rolls-Royces were parked outside.

NEWS FROM HOME



THE appalling Barbie, the first 'adult figure doll' has just celebrated her 21st birthday—with 115 million sales., Today Barbie drives a battery-powered sports car and can flush the lavatory in her dream house. Mailibu Barbie has a suntan. And she can plant a kiss that leaves a lipstick stain.

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'THE degradation has to stop—the image has to be changed.' No, it's not Ted Kennedy's advisers. The sentiments belong to Ellen Stanley, founder of March 1 as National Pig Day.

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I CAN report the first gold tooth mugging. It occurred in Dallas where two men held a knife to the throat of a 19-year-old youth and threatened to kill him if he swallowed the £100 gold tooth which they proceeded to bash loose.

FRANKLY, it wouldn't surprise me if Mother Teresa was chosen to be the next Charlie's Angel. That said, those ubiquitous Hollywood sources are now revealing that Priscilla Presley — spouse of the late king — and Star Trek actress Persis Khambatta are front runners to replace Shelley Hack on the series this autumn. Yawn. Yawn.

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IF you're running for President, don't snort coke, cheat on your spouse, have a homosexual relationship, get treatment for mental illness or admit to looking over someone else's shoulder on your college exams. Such are the findings of Opinion 18, a newly formed undergraduate polling organisation.

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I LIVE in Topanga Canyon, one of the worst-hit areas. Today makes it a week without water. Most of the time we have also been without electricity.

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A NEW daily routine : you light the barbecue to boil the rainwater for tea and use what's left for a makeshift wash. Charcoal supplies are running out so you use the same coals to cook food that has not rotted. As there are chemicals in the hot tub water it is useless for cooking but gives us the luxury of being able to flush the lavatories. Many are not so lucky.

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WE are isolated and going slightly stir crazy. I have not seen a newspaper or magazine for a week. All I've read are survival pamphlets issued by the Red Cross.

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THE TOPANGA Creek, usually just a trickle which would take time to fill a glass, was turned into a 250-yard wide monster. The rains gave it the power of a train and it roared through at 50 mph, taking people, property, land and cars with it.

Paradise lost in flood havoc

From DOUGLAS THOMPSON in Los Angeles

AMERICA'S 'sunshine paradise' state is reeling under he worst storms in memory, which lost night had claimed he lives of at least 20 eople.

Mountains are crumbling into he million dollar mansions of the tars in California in a lethal lood mix of rock and mud.

Another 26 people are know to e missing, scores have been inured and thousands evacuated rom ther homes.

In the Beverly Glen area of Los ngeles, former Beatle George arrison's home was threatening to break away from the hillside and smash into the house below. Emergency excavation work needed to be done and authorities were trying to contact Harrison, who was said to be in London.

Off the coast from Malibu, where Cary Grant, Rod Stieger, Olivia Newton John and Bob Dqlan have houses, two luxury homes were washed into the Pacific.

Top laywer Marvin Mitchelson's home in the Hollywood Hills was in danger of collapse. His wife, Marcella, left their million-dollar mansion after the house below them crumbled away, saying : 'I don't think we are coming back to live here. I was always afraid something was going to happen to the house.'

More than 30 other homes in the Los Angeles area — most worth upwards of a quarter of a million pounds — have been destroyed and scores of others badly damaged.

California Governor Jerry Brown, heavily criticised for pursuing his Presidential apsirations in the East while the state washed away, returned here to declare a state of emergency.

In less than a wek the area has suffered 10·44 in. of rain—a couple of inches more than the average rainfall. And it was still coming down in torrents last night, sweeping away homes, cars and people who got in the way.

Last night more hazards emerged. Water supplies are cut and there are pollution problems. Food in homes and stores is rotting because of power failures.

Thousands are stranded in their homes as all canyon roads are blocked by mostly a mixture of mud and rock and the majority of highways are flooded.

News of the Theater

Top Stars Join New Papp Venture

By CAROL LAWSON

INSTEAD of accepting film offers worth fortunes, Meryl Streep, Robert De Niro, Jill Clayburgh and Raul Julia have decided to spend six months working off Broadway next season for the sum of $225 a week. They have just agreed to join the new repertory company being formed by Joseph Papp at the Public Theater. The company is scheduled to go into rehearsal next January and begin three months of peformances next April.

"I've also been talking to Dustin Hoffman, Jon Voight, Martin Sheen and Al Pacino," said Mr. Papp, who plans to enlist a troupe of 25 actors. "They're interested, but their involvement depends on the plays we do."

Mr. Papp intends to present three plays in repertory, with both Miss Streep and Mr. De Niro appearing in all three. So far, only Chekhov's "Three Sisters" is definite. It will be directed by Andrei Serban. Wilford Leach and Ulu Grosbard will direct the other two plays.

"The coup of this company is getting major actors to commit themselves for a long period of time," Mr. Papp said. "There used to be a core of actors in New York who constituted the Broadway theater, but that doesn't exist anymore. Now, the best actors in America are whisked away to Hollywood by economic lures."

Mr. Papp said that he first discussed his idea for this company with Miss Streep and Mr. Julia in the summer of 1978 when they were starring in "The Taming of the Shrew" in Central Park. "We had dinner after the show and talked about the problem of actors going to Hollywood. There needs to be a way for them to come back to the stage from time to time and play before a live audience instead of cameras. After all, the stage is an actor's main source of strength."

The plan is to put all 25 actors in the company on the payroll for six months. The cost of this project is expected to be close to $1.4 million. Box-office revenues are expected to amount to no more than $225,000. Mr. Papp said that he had already approached government sources and foundations for funds. There might also be an arrangement with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, under which the acting company would receive financial support in exchange for several weeks of performances.

This acting company will not be the first ever started at the Public Theater. Not long ago, Mr. Papp put a great deal of money into a highly publicized black-and-Hispanic company created to perform Shakespeare. The company turned out to be less than a critical success, and has been quietly disbanded.

In view of recent history and the high cost of the proposed new company, skeptics might question the feasibility of Mr. Papp's latest plan. "We can't afford it," he conceded, "but there is no chance it will not go ahead."

Sutherland on Broadway

Donald Sutherland, who often appeared on the British stage before moving to Hollywood for a film career, will make his Broadway debut next season as the amorous Humbert Humbert in Edward Albee's stage adaptation of "Lolita." Frank Dunlop will direct this production, aiming to open on Broadway in the fall.

According to Mr. Albee, the idea for this play came from Jerry Sherlock, a former textile executive recently turned producer. "He had the stage rights to Nabokov's 'Lolita' and asked if I'd like to do the stage adaptation. I loved the book, but I disliked the movie enormously. It was totally sexless. Lolita was too old. She has to be 12 or 13."

Mr. Albee, usually reticent about his plays, was asked if he was eager to publicize "Lolita" at this time because it was so difficult to raise money for his most recent play, "The Lady From Dubuque," which recently opened and closed on Broadway within 10 days.

"With Donald Sutherland," he replied, "I can't imagine that we'll have any problem. Besides, this is a fairly risqué item."

"Lolita" was adapted for the stage once before, as a musical, in 1971. It had a book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by John Barry. The chief players included John Neville, Dorothy Loudon and Leonard Frey. The show closed in Boston en route to Broadway.

British Youth Tour Is Off

The National Youth Theater of Great Britain has been forced by Actors' Equity to cancel its three-week engagement this spring at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The company, which intended to perform Peter Terson's "Zigger Zagger," received great acclaim when it appeared at the Academy last season.

Harvey Lichtenstein, president of the academy, called the situation "ridiculous." When the theater company came to New York last year, he said, Equity never got involved.

"We didn't ask Equity for approval last year because the National Youth Theater is an amateur company," he explained. "In the opinion of our lawyer, Equity has no jurisdiction in this matter.

"After last year's engagement, however, Donald Grody, the executive secretary of Equity, told us that we should have come to Equity anyway. I saw no reason to, but I decided to go to Equity this year just to be courteous. Mr. Grody practically assured us that we would have no problem getting Equity's approval."

That turned out not to be the case. Both the Alien Committee and the Equity Council turned down the academy's request. Efforts were made to reach Mr. Grody for an explanation of Equity's position, but phone calls went unreturned.

"Our lawyer says we can do whatever we want," Mr. Lichtenstein said, "but we don't want to provoke bad feelings with Equity because our new acting company is an Equity company. We don't know what to do at this point."

The National Youth Theater has a 75-year-old tradition. Michael York and Simon Ward are among its alumni.

OOH-WAH OOH-WAH
OOH-OOH KITTY,
TALK ABOUT THE BOYS
FROM NEW YORK CITY !!

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can be." One begins to cringe at the prospect of further interpretations of the would-be suicide's story.

At the end of this and another account of failed self-destruction, the professor solemnly informs us that "these documents" "warn us whom to avoid in life — rejecting fathers, hostile mothers, spiteful aunts, exploiting lovers, unloving husbands, unresponsive friends, disapproving nurses, etc." To which we sigh, Nice work if you can do it. "What has happened over the last quarter-century in relation to my own thoughts about suicide notes has unconsciously mirrored some aspects of this dialectical process," Hegel's. First, Professor Shneidman thought that such notes would provide the key to why their authors attempted "the death-producing deed." Then he decided they could tell him nothing. Finally he con-

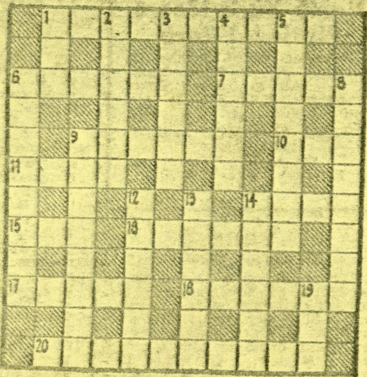
PHILOSOPHY FOR THE DAY:

ONTOGENY
RECAPITULATES
PHILOGENY.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Laws like to cobwebs, catch small flies,
Great ones break them before your eyes.—BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (1706-1790).

QUICK CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1 Waste (10)
6 Deprived (6)
7 Runner (5)
9 Accompany (6)
10 Hole (3)
11 Wealthy (4)
14 Cancel (4)
15 Pair of musicians (3)
16 Begone! (6)
17 Precise (5)
18 Glossy paint (6)
20 Tenacious (10)

DOWN

1 Stain (3)
2 Sword case (6)
3 Missive (6)
4 Harangue (6)
5 Possessor (8)
6 Envy (8)
8 Sane (8)
9 High award (8)
12 'Praying' insect (6)
13 Fondle (6)
14 Dangerous (6)
19 Consume (3)

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IT'S A FACT

THE ancient Greek Aeschylus is the only playwright to have been killed by a tortoise. A flying eagle dropped one on his head in 456BC.

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IT'S A FACT THE Goodyear airship hangar at Akron, USA, is the world's largest hangar. It's 1175ft long, 325ft wide and 200ft high.

TODAY'S LATIN

SUB ROSA -
"UNDER THE ROSE"
SECRETLY, PRIVATELY

SUIGENERIS -
"OF HIS OWN KIND"
ALTOGETHER UNIQUE

ET UX -
"AND WIFE"
(SELF EXPLANATORY)

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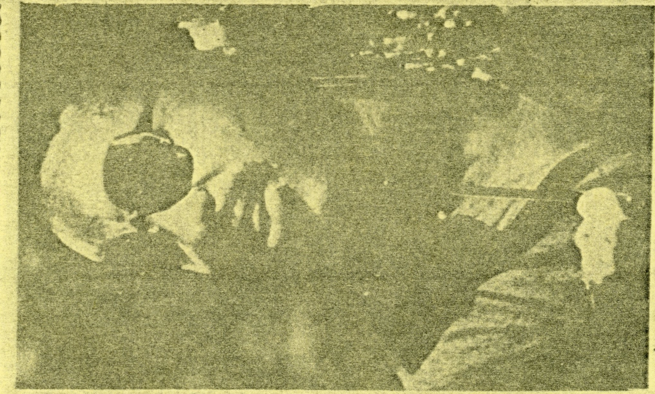
DID YOU KNOW? GEORGE V of England was entitled to wear more than one hundred different military uniforms and naval uniforms.

WHY STEVIE IS HAPPY TO BE BLIND

By DICK MAINO



Superstar Stevie Wonder: "I learned who loved me"

SURVIVAL has always been a part of singer Stevie Wonder's life. He was born prematurely. To save his life, doctors put him in an oxygen tent.

Little Steveland Morris—his real name—got too much oxygen and became permanently blind.

His mother, Lulu, wanted her son to do more with his life than make potholders and brooms or clank his way through life with a tin cup and a guide dog.

She treated him and his two older brothers the same way. If he did something wrong he too got "whumped" at their Detroit, Michigan, home.

"We were poor all right, but I wasn't aware of it as much as other kids were. Being blind, I didn't see the things I didn't have," he says in his biography, **The Stevie Wonder Scrapbook** (Cassell Books, £3·50) written by Jim Haskins.

He knew his mother was bitterly upset that he could not see, so one day he told her he was happy being blind. He said it was a gift from God.

That's the way he still regards it, and it made him search for a way to express himself. He chose music—and became an international star with handfuls of "Grammys"—the music industry's Oscar.

He started by banging pots—progressed to bongos, then harmonica and finally, piano/organ.

At nine, he had a recording contract. By the time he was 13, his third record, *Fingertips*, was at the top of the American charts for 15 weeks.

Then, he had a string of hits which earned him the reputation as the world's leading soul singer.

But in 1973 disaster struck. While he was being driven through Carolina, a log fell from a truck in front, crashed through the windscreen and into his skull.

In hospital, friends could not recognise him because his head had swollen so much.

Slowly, he recovered—and said he had foreseen a dramatic incident like that occurring in his life.

"I felt something was going to happen.

"I felt that there was going to be a change in my life, something very, very significant.

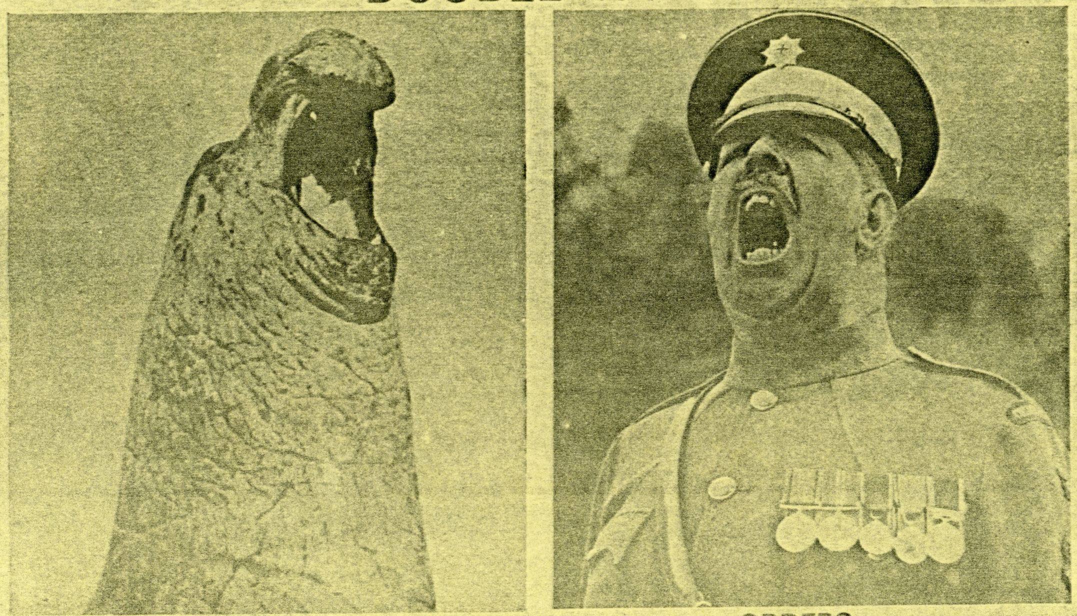
"I learned who loved me. And I learned about those who just said: 'Is he going to be able to work again?' I also see that God was telling me to slow down, to take it easy.

"I still feel that I'm here to do something for Him, to make it possible for people to communicate better with each other. And that's what I'll do."

PUSH-OVER FOR POLICE

WHEN Hans Joachim, 23, careered down the main street in Aachen, West Germany, after visiting several bars, the police stopped him. He failed a breath test and was charged with being drunk in charge . . . of a pram.

DOUBLE TAKE



SEALED ORDERS

Where to hide a fortune

YOU'VE got something valuable and you want to hide it in your home.

Where do you put it? Under the bed, under the floorboards, in a basket of dirty linen, or taped to the wall behind a handy painting?

Don't bother—they are among the first places a burglar usually looks.

But, according to one expert, you can hide almost anything in your home with a good chance of foiling the craftiest burglar.

You just need a little imagination, says David Krotz, a New York carpenter, who has been dreaming up secret places for customers for years.

For small valuables he suggests a fake electric wall socket point. Choose a place near the skirting board, knock a hole in the wall, then cover it with a socket plate.

Try a table or chair with a hollow leg. Or for large items, a false bottom shelf bookcase.

Even so, thieves sometimes win. In London recently they got £3,000 from a false-bottom cupboard; £18,000 from an old wireless set and £14,000 from a hollow piano leg.

GET WELL OILED

WE'RE a filthy lot. All these years we've taken it for granted that having a bath was merely a matter of turning on the tap, putting your finger under it, a dip and a sluice and out.

It's a wonder the lot of us didn't go down with something horrible.

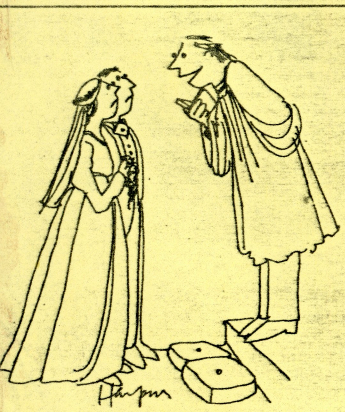
Mind you, there was some excuse for us. Until now, we didn't have beauty expert Clare Maxwell Hudson's advice on how it should be done.

All you need (blended and beaten) are 2 eggs; ¼ cup almond oil; ¼ cup sunflower oil; 2 tablespoons honey; 2 teaspoons detergent; ⅓ cup vodka; ½ cup milk; ¼ teaspoon jasmine or sandalwood oil.

A pity she forgot to pour in half a dozen bottles of champagne.

I hope she left room for the water.

← IT'S A LOTTA TROUBLE



"... and then I ask you the same question in turn, to which each of you answers 'It depends'"

TODAY'S ITALIAN

OH DIO - OH GOD

FERME - HOLD STILL

[redacted] ← OOPS

SPAIZITTO - BE QUIET

(FAMILIARS TO THOSE IN HAIR & MAKE-UP)

Here's to a cuppa

PARISIANS who want to sober up quickly after a boozing session are going in for tea in a big way—at £3 per quarter.

According to French doctors, black tea will halve the amount of alcohol in the blood in an hour—compared with a normal loss of 15 per cent.

EVER NEEDED TO SOBER-UP FAST? HERE'S HOW

SAYINGS OF A FATHER:

"TAKE ALL YOU WANT, BUT EAT ALL YOU TAKE."

'Everything outside the AFL-CIO really is Hoboken' – Kirkland

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

SPLAT!!

DID YOU KNOW:

STEINETTE PATTY KATZ PICKS UP RADIO FREE EUROPE EVERY MORNING IN HAIR : MAKE-UP! IT TAKES A LOT OF CLIPS TO CURL THOSE PIG TAILS.

CARLOS BROWN WILL BE TEACHING AN ADVANCE COURSE IN POKER.

THIS TIME B.A. ROLLS A DOUBLE 5. (DOUBLES ARE LUCKY)

THAT THE BEST DISTANCE TO KEEP FOOD FROM BLUTO IS GOZO?

WHO'S THE FASTEST FLY-CATCHER IN THE LAND?

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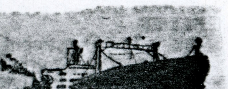


A GREEK without a boat is unthinkable and Niarchos is busy replacing his 3,500-ton yacht Atlantis, which he sold last year to compatriot John Latsis for $35 million—an offer he couldn't refuse.
The new Atlantis will be 20 feet longer, the world's largest private yacht, and should be launched this year from the Niarchos Scaramanga shipyard in Piraeus, where he built the old one for a mere $5 million.

Night fall

The award-winning play Night and Day by Tom Stoppard has flopped on Broadway—it closed at the weekend after less than three months. The play is in its second year in the West End

☆★☆★☆★☆★☆★☆★

DID YOU KNOW?

AN actor playing the lead role in Shakespeare's "Hamlet" has to remember 11,610 separate words to play the full, uncut, version of the part.

★★★★★★

IN AN attempt to beef up its evening trade customers of McDonald's may soon be watching 'mini-flicks' as they chomp their Big Macs. The fast food chain is discussing the idea with a film company that specialises in cutting movie epics like Planet of the Apes to 45 minute lengths.

DING-DONG LOVER'S CLANGER

A 64-year-old duke was a ding-dong lover . . . and made sure everyone knew it.

For when Duke Giueseppe Avarna was about to make love to his American girlfriend, he ordered the village church bells to be rung.

But the sleepy villagers of Gualtieri Sicamino, Sicily, did not find the sex chimes appealing.

The duke was taken to court, fined £15 for disturbing the peace — and £70 for "insulting" his estranged wife.

The duke's lawyers explained: "He was crazy about his girl and wanted the entire dukedom to share his happiness."

VANISHING TRICK

Magician Des King had his car stolen for the second time in Nottingham yesterday.

BLACKED OUT

About 2,000 million people were put in the dark around midday yesterday when a total eclipse blocked out the sun for 7,000 miles across Asia and Africa.

ONE SOMETIMES MEETS THE MOST UNLIKELY PEOPLE

THE MOST unlikely social encounter imaginable: the legendary **LADY DIANA COOPER**, 88, the last genuine relic of Cafe Society meets **ANDY WARHOL**, 48, the American artistic freak who has been enjoying the macabre attention of London's night life.

In Lady Diana's day—she was the classical beauty of the 'twenties who married **VISCOUNT NORWICH**, the post-war British ambassador to Paris—such creatures as Warhol didn't exist, of course.

I wonder if she felt, as did one weekend television commentator, that Warhol was actually in a state of premature decomposition.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

At home he is a savage; abroad a saint.—SENECA (About AD 5-65).

☆★☆★☆★☆★☆★☆★

DID YOU KNOW?

GOLF balls with six-sided dimples travel faster than golf balls with round-shaped dimples.

Bardot's call saves monkeys

PARIS: Actress Brigitte Bardot who campaigns against cruelty to animals has won a battle to save monkeys from being killed in car test crashes designed to make French cars safer.

France's President Valery Giscard D'Estaing has ordered the tests to stop following a telephone talk with Brigitte.

QUOTES

'I married Christina Onassis because she asked me and because I liked her. Russians like fat women and Christina is fat' . . . Sergei Kauzov.

Rover's return

A TERRIER which retrieves boomerangs made as a hobby by its owner arrived back home in Gloucester after being lost for a week.

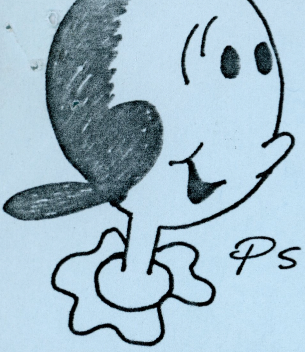
SIAMESE TWINS

A 14-year-old married girl has given birth to Siamese twin girls, joined at the abdomen, in Rutherford, North Carolina.

★★★★★★

TEXAN Arnold Burke announced that he had invented a device which would run for ever and generate electricity to power three households if fuelled by three gallons of water each month. Investors from seven States spent £500,000 for distribution rights before an engineer discovered the machine was secretly plugged to an outlet in the inventor's laboratory. Asked why he did it, Burke said God told him to.

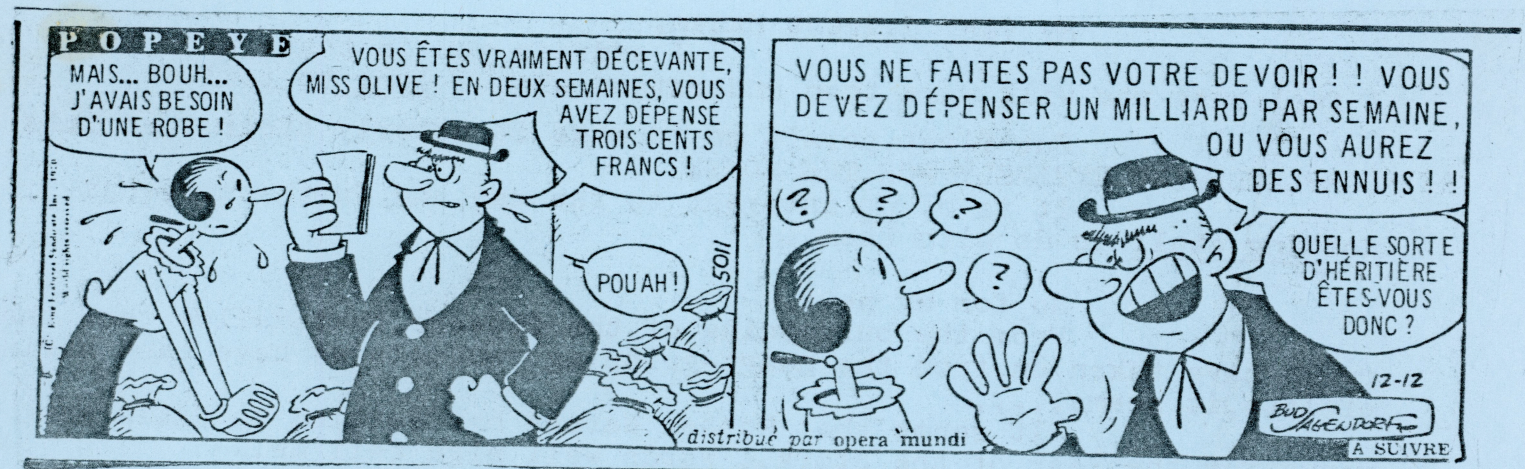
VIVA TEXAS!



THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

SLIMEY SAM EQUALS ORCA!

PSST! IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, FEIFFER WROTE IT!


POPEYE
MAIS... BOUH... J'AVAIS BESOIN D'UNE ROBE !
VOUS ÊTES VRAIMENT DÉCEVANTE, MISS OLIVE ! EN DEUX SEMAINES, VOUS AVEZ DÉPENSÉ TROIS CENTS FRANCS !
POUAH !
5011
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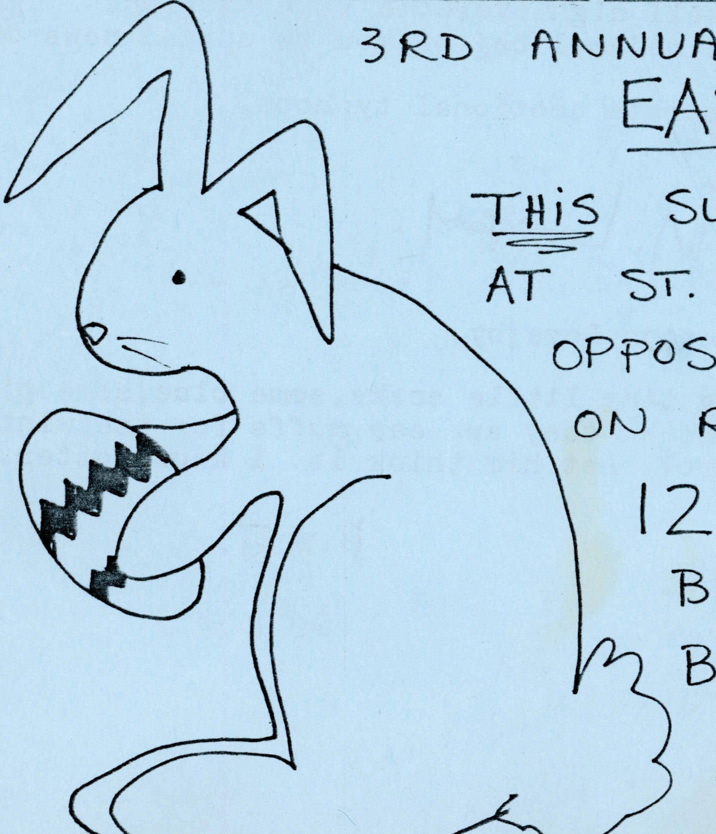

3RD ANNUAL ALTMAN FAMILY

EASTER PARTY!!

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 1980, AT ST. ANDREW'S FIELD, OPPOSITE J & A GROCERS ON ROAD TO SLIEMA.

12:00 NOON

BEVERAGES SUPPLIED, BRING YOUR OWN FOOD

GAMES GALORE!!!

This and That. (Mostly etc)

A letter to the Editor.

My very dearest Madam,
I address you in these warm tones for I feel sure you will more than understand what I long to tell.

But first, permit me to make it utterly clear that this is COMPLETELY AND ENTIRELY FOR THE WOMEN.

It is of no interest to the men, and furthermore has nothing atall to do with them .

So for my news.

From the burgeoning of the flowers, that mellow tone the rocks have taken on, from the heart-gripping sunsets we have been having of late, it seems,,,,,

It seems that Mother Nature has settled on MALTA as th venue for the Year of the Stork.! Words well nigh fail me.

Soon, soon, all those darling, adorable, cherished birds will be songregating here (how lucky we are) settling to their sweet work of building ~~their~~ nests and arranging~~s~~ themselves. Then, clucking sftly and crooning lullabies, each with their own egg, they will hatch the young!

Some will have two, even three eggs...oh bliss!

But here a word of warning, I know that so many of you, wide-eyed and thrilled to your very ankles, will~~l~~ want to approach~~and~~ and many of you will be weeping tears of pure joy. But scatter your tears, please, for rivulets may form into streams that may disturb the darling Storks at their heavenly duties, and we do not want to disturb one single Stork and thus maybe give Malta a bad name!

And then, when all is ready, as at a given signal, eac bird will rise into the night sky, each and every one with its dearest little burden, completely obliterating the fuller than full moon (no dam Chivalry that night..thanks be) and away and away and away..all those cargoes of purest joy. I am well nigh overcome with emotion.

Madam, dearest madam, I beg of you to spread news of this utter miracle.

Your' in desperate emotional typhoon,
I will remain,
Your's truly,

Prunella M. Lovejoy.

Prunella Monsoon Lovejoy.

P.S. I have started knitting tiny little socks, some blue, some pink. My fool of a husband thinks they are ear muffs for the winter while on Perimeter Patrol. Let him think it. I know better.

P. M. J.

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID YOU KNOW:

THAT WEDNESDAY WAS LINDA HUNT'S BIRTHDAY
HAPPY BIRTHDAY LINDA!!!!!!! !!!

THAT NANA OYL ALMOST ATE A ROACH
ALONG WITH HER BREAKFAST TORT?!

THAT GEEZIL FOUND A NAIL IN HIS SOUP
INSTEAD OF "FLIES" THE OTHER DAY!?

THAT JEANETTE HERSELF FOUND AN
EARWIG (A REAL LITTLE BUGGER) IN
HER ARTICHOKE VINAGRETTE?!

THAT NONE OF THIS WAS FOUND IN
MICKEY'S FOOD. (JUST SO YOU'LL LUNCH RELAXED
AT THE SET.)

THAT JEAN PAGLIUSO'S BACK?!

THAT DIANA MICHENER'S BACKDROPS AND
OUR BOATS IN ANCHOR BAY WERE ROCKED
BY FORCE 8 WINDS ON THURSDAY?!

THAT FREDDIE'S (POT O'GOLD) BIRTHDAY IS NEXT
WEEK? AND WE'RE ALL INVITED!!
*DETAILS IN NEXT WEEK'S GAZETTE.

★ POP superstar Elton John is a tricky man to reach. He loathes telephones so he keeps a Telex machine tucked away at home.

But Elton regularly switches off his expensive message receiver. Which

TRICKY: Elton

leaves colleagues at Rocket Records slightly more than irritated.

"We get all the flak when he's uncontactable. He can be a bitch," said one of his minions, who mischievously refers to him as Sharon.

★ CABARET artist Lorna Luft, daughter of Judy Garland, is to be re-born—as a fiery rock 'n' roll singer.

Later this month she will belt out an album written by Mike Chapman and Nicky Chinn.

And Lorna, 27, haunted by the fame of her mother and big sister Liza Minelli, will go into cold storage until its release.

"Then you will see a completely different me," she says.

★ FAREWELL TO FEIFFER PARTY!

SATURDAY NIGHT AT FREDDIE'S
POT O' GOLD, 8:00 P.M.

CHILI AND BURGERS!!
DISCO & POOL!!
SADNESS, IF YOU
WISH.

Altman named judge of Superior Court

By DICK BRENNEMAN
Evening Outlook Staff Writer

Robert T. Altman, the deputy district attorney who successfully prosecuted 'Watergate West' and Santa Monica ax murderer John Zimmerman, became a Superior Court judge Wednesday.

"You couldn't find a better trial-lawyer, and he'll be sorely missed as a prosecutor," said Santa Monica Superior Court Judge Charles Woodmansee, in whose court Altman has been serving.

"On the other hand," Woodmansee added, "the judiciary will be greatly enhanced by his presence."

(Woodmansee himself was ranked as the top trial judge in Los Angeles County in a 1977 poll of all trial lawyers.)

In a day when Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr.'s judicial appointments have drawn increasing criticism, it's just about impossible to find anyone who has anything negative to say about the 40-year-old Altman.

He is universally regarded as that rarest of lawyers — a brilliant legal scholar who is also a rapier-sharp trial lawyer.

"He's exceptionally well-qualified," said defense attorney Donald R. Wager — who once served in the District Attorney's Office with Altman. "It's a staggering loss to the DA's office. They may have lost their best deputy."

The new judge is especially noted for his rich sense of humor — one that has caused more than one delay in court.

During one sentencing hearing, Altman broke into laughter when a defendant blithely spun out what Altman apparently thought was a palpably impossible rationale for his crimem

"Do you really expect us to believe that?" countered Altman, fighting back the first tremor of what became a gale of laughter.

"He was laughing for almost an hour," recalled someone who was there.

Woodmansee praised Altman for his balance. "He's not only extremely intelligent, dedicated and hard-working, but he has the best balance of any deputy district attorney I've ever worked with," he noted.

"He represents the prosecution formidably, but at the same time he's able to assess cases properly," Woodmansee added. "He never overcharges cases, and never overtries them."

Those skills are especially important for a judge, who must preside over the negotiations (plea-bargaining) that decide the vast majority of criminal cases.

ROBERT T. ALTMAN
. . . named to Superior Court

A native of Long Island, N.Y., Altman possesses impressive academic credentials. He won a scholarship to Cornell University, then transferred to UCLA when his parents moved west in 1958. He graduated with highest honors. From UCLA he went to Harvard Law School, where he graduated with honors.

His scholastic honors won him a job with the Los Angeles civil law firm of Loeb and Loeb, where he worked for five years handling business and real estate law in state and federal courts.

He cut short a lucrative career in private practice to enter the District Attorney's Office, where he has served for 10 years.

While a trial deputy he handled a number of famous cases — including the "Watergate West" trial of White House aides in the office break-in of political activist Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

He also prosecuted the "Alphabet Bomber" murders and the case of John William Zimmerman, who was convicted of slaying a brother and sister during the course of a Santa Monica burglary.

Altman, who hopes to be assigned to criminal court, was sworn in Wednesday afternoon.

"IN XANADU
DID KUBLA KHAN
A STATELY
PLEASURE DOME
DECREE
WHERE ALPH
THE SACRED
RIVER
RAN THROUGH
CAVERNS
MEASURELESS
TO MAN
DOWN TO A
SUNLESS
SEA."
–SAMUEL TAYLOR
COLERIDGE
1772-1834

"ONE CAN
ACQUIRE
EVERYTHING
IN SOLITUDE-
EXCEPT
CHARACTER."
HENRI BEYLE
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These 1979 film nominations were determined by Hollywood's Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
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Winners will be announced in the next special edition of the Falconette Gazette .

A letter to the Editor.

Dearest Madam,

I am somewhat perplexed. It seems not very easy,finally,to become,if not a star then at least and "actor". Allow me to tell you. For instance,though I am a tall man,I have always thought I would like to play Napoleon,and who wouldnt.

So,disregarding the height I have had installed in my rather modest bedroom,a great section of mirror,and there,kneeling to cancel out the hight problem,I have been uttlerly thrilled to see myself, arm tucked into coat front,slick of hair nailed down to forehead,brooding over the plains of Moscow,the taking of Rome,Borodino,Alleppo....I have been quite moved,though I say so myself. An utterly excellent Napoleon.

Furthermore,though it has beeen difficult getting them up the stairs,I have retained a troupe of mounted Hussars(actually of course the local fire-brigade,mounted on sad old ponies and dressed in outrageous costume...not a sword between them..however),and they charge back and forwar giving a remarkably ominous reality to my military brooding.

And even more,I have bought eighteen cannon(we had to haul these up through the windows,and,telling my landlady it was curry-pwder,have smuggled in three buckets of black gunpowder)

The horses charge,back and forth,occaisionally colliding and falling,and even fighting amongst themselves,overturning the furniture. One old nag,scared you understand,by the reality of battle,kicked my wardrobe to pieces,so now we have T shirts,pants vests shoes,socks etc flying across the scene,to say nothing of the thunder and flash of at least 3 of the I8 cannon that work,all the walls have gone,leaving me my one piece of mirror in which I am acting out this tremendous drama.

But can I convince a Hollywood producer that I am his man,should he be contemplating a major production around the minor corporal??? Not atall. Three phone calls only.

One to say that did I realize my cannon fire had sunk the Gozo ferry, another to say they had run out of black gun-powder and could I not use actual curry powder???

Worse,evidence had been laid before the Magistrates that I had been seen kneeling in front of a mirror,pretending to be Napoleon,an~~d~~indictable offence in Malta.

So,dearest Joshephine,I mean Madam,if you can put me on to an agent who may well be looking for a man who is not afraid of horses in his apartment and has fourtenn buckets of unused curry-powder and a piece of mirror,then I am free at all times.

I thus remain,Madam,
Your humbled hero,

R.D. Wicket.

Richard (Dickey) Wicket.

P.S. NOT A SIGN OF JOSEPHINE THROUGOUT THE CAMPAIGN, + I NOW HERE (BECAUSE OF HER LEGS I SUPPOSE) SHE HAS LANDED A PART IN "KICK ME KATE".

R.D.W.

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

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↑ CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE!

"HE EEZ ZEE GREATEST"–
ROBERT ALTMAN
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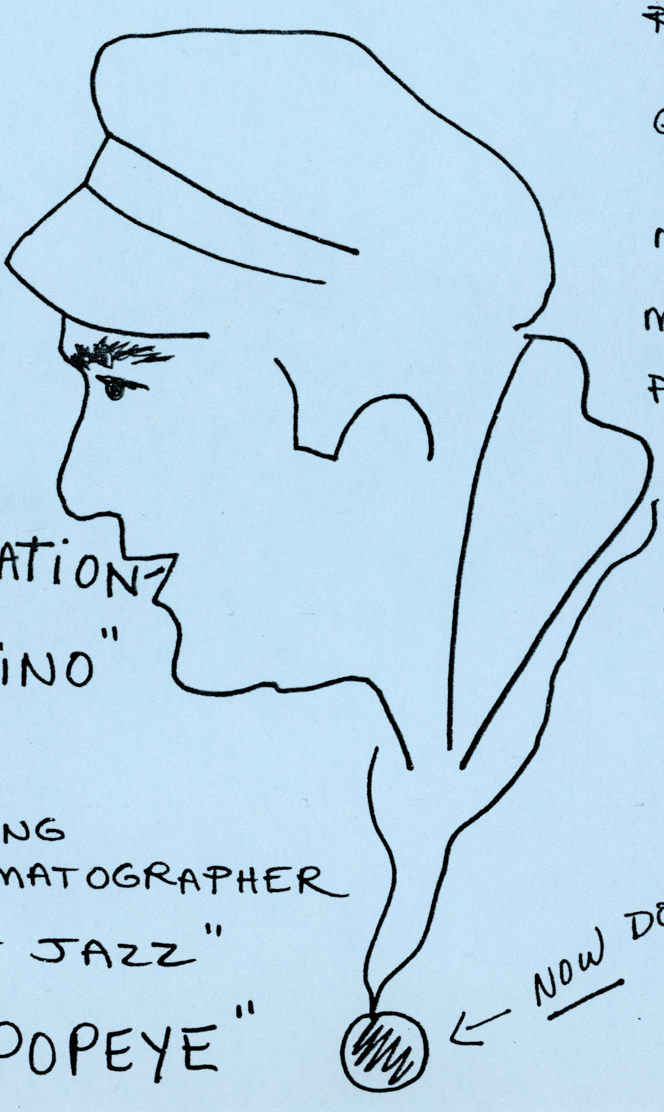

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION–

GIUSEPPE "PEPINO" ROTUNNO

1979 OUTSTANDING CINEMATOGRAPHER
FOR "ALL THAT JAZZ"

& NEXT YEAR FOR "POPEYE"

← NOW DO YOU RECOGNIZE HIM?

For the best performance by an actor in a leading role:

Dustin Hoffman in KRAMER vs. KRAMER

Jack Lemmon in THE CHINA SYNDROME

Al Pacino in ... AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

Roy Scheider in ALL THAT JAZZ

Peter Sellers in BEING THERE.

WRITE IN: ________________________

For the best performance by an actor in a supporting role:

Melvyn Douglas in BEING THERE.

Robert Duvall in APOCALYPSE NOW.

Frederic Forrest un THE ROSE

Justin Henry in KRAMER vs. KRAMER.

Mickey Rooney in THE BLACK STALLION.

WRITE IN: ________________________

For the best performance by an actress in a leading role:

Jill Clayburgh in STARTING OVER.

Sally Field in NORMA RAE.

Jane Fonda in THE CHINA SYNDROME.

Marsha Mason in THE ROSE.

WRITE IN: ____

For the best performance by an actress in a supporting role:

Jane Alexander in KRAMER vs. KRAMER.

Barbara Barrie in BREAKING AWAY

Candice Bergen in STARTING OVER.

Mariel Hemingway in MANHATTAN.

Meryl Streep in KRAMER vs. KRAMER.

WRITE IN: ____

For the best achievement in art direction:

ALIEN Art Direction: Michael Seymour, Les Dilley and Roger Christian.
Set Decoration: Ian Whittaker.

ALL THAT JAZZ Art Direction: Philip Rosenberg and Tony Walton.
Set Decoration: Edward Stewart and Gary Brink.

APOCALYPSE NOW Art Direction: Dean Tavoularis and Angelo Graham.
Set Decoration: George R. Nelson.

THE CHINA SYNDROME	Art Direction: George Jenkins. Set Decoration: Arthur Jeph Parker.
STAR TREK - THE MOTION PICTURE	Art Direction: Harold Michelson, Joe Jennings, Leon Harris and John Vallone. Set Decoration: Linda de Scenna.

WRITE IN: ____

For the best achievement in cinematography:

ALL THAT JAZZ	Giuseppe Rotunno.
APOCALYPSE NOW	Vittorio Storaro.
THE BLACK HOLE	Frank Phillips.
KRAMER vs. KRAMER	Nestor Almendros.
1941	William A. Fraker.

WRITE IN: ____

For the best achievement in costume design:

AGATHA	Shirley Russell
ALL THAT JAZZ	Albert Wolsky
BUTCH AND SUNDANCE	William Theiss.
THE EUROPEANS	Judy Moorcroft.

LA CAGE AUX FOLLES	Piero Tosi and Ambra Danon.

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best achievement in directing:

ALL THAT JAZZ	Bob Fosse.
APOCALYPSE NOW	Francis Coppola.
BREAKING AWAY	Peter Yates.
LA CAGE AUX FOLLES	Edouard Molinaro.

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best achievement in film editing:

ALL THAT JAZZ	Alan Heim
APOCALYPSE NOW	Lisa Fruchtman.
THE BLACK STALLION	Robert Dalva.
KRAMER vs. KRAMER	Jerry Greenburg.
THE ROSE	Robert L. Wolfe and C. Timothy O'Meara.

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best foreign language film of the year:

THE MAIDS OF WILKO	Poland.
MAMA TURNS A HUNDRED	Spain.
A SIMPLE STORY	France.
THE TIN DRUM	Federal Republic of Germany.
TO FORGET VENICE	Italy.

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the outstanding achievement in music
in connection with motion pictures:

Best Original Score

THE AMITYVILLE HORROR	Lalo Schifrin.
THE CHAMP	Dave Grusin
A LITTLE ROMANCE	Georges Delerue.
STAR TREK- THE MOTION PICTURE	Jerry Goldsmith.
10 Geoffrey Productions	Henry Mancini

WRITE IN: ______________________________

Best Original Song Score and Its Adaptation:

Best Adaptation Score

ALL THAT JAZZ	Adaptation Score by Ralhp Burns
BREAKING AWAY	Adaptation Score by Patrick Williams.
THE MUPPET MOVIE	Original Song Score by Paul Williams and Kenney Ascher. Adapted by Paul Williams.

WRITE IN: ______________________________ ______________________________

Best Original Song

It Goes Like It Goes	Music by David Shire. Lyric by Norman Gimbel.
The Rainbow Connection	Music and Lyric by Paul Williams and Kenney Ascher.
Song from'10'	Music by Henry Mancini Lyric by Robert Wells
Theme from 'Ice Castles'	Music by Marvin Hamlisch. Lyric by Carole Bayer Sager.
Theme from 'The Promise' (I'll Never Say 'Goodbye')	Music by David Shire Lyric by Alan and Marilyn Bergman

WRITE IN: ______________________________ ______________________________

For the best picture of the year:

ALL THAT JAZZ

APOCALYPSE NOW

BREAKING AWAY

KRAMER vs. KRAMER

NORMA RAE

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best achievements in short films:

DREAM DOLL

EVERY CHILD, National Film Board of Canada.

IT'S SO NICE TO HAVE A WOLF AROUND THE HOUSE.

BOARD AND CARE - Sarah Pillsbury and Ron Ellis, Producers.

BRAVERY IN THE FIELD - Roman Kroitor and Stefan Wodoslawsky, Producer

OH BROTHER, MY BROTHER- Carol and Ross Lowell, Producers.

THE SOLAR FILM - Saul Bass and Michael Britton, Producers.

SOLLY'S DINER - Harry Mathias, Jay Zukerman and Larry Hankin, Producers.

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best achievement in sound:

APOCALYPSE NOW

THE ELECTRIC HORSEMAN

METEOR

1941

THE ROSE

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best achievement in visual effects:

ALIEN

THE BLACK HOLE

MOONRAKER

1941

STAR TREK

WRITE IN: ______________________________

For the best screenplay written directly for the screen (may be based on factual material or on story material not previously published or produced):

ALL THAT JAZZ

... AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

BREAKING AWAY

THE CHINA SYNDROME

MANHATTAN

WRITE IN: ____

For the best screenplay on material from another medium:

APOCALYPSE NOW

KRAMER vs. KRAMER

LA CAGE AUX FOLLES

A LITTLE ROMANCE

NORMA RAE

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A STUDY by New York's Mount Sinai School of Medicine reveals that the divorce rate of joggers is 340 per cent. more than for non-runners. 'There are people out there almost destroying their lives through jogging,' says Dr Paul Milvycy. 'Running changes your whole personality.'

NEW YORK

Gazette

Independent taxi owners informed us last week that they wanted a 31 percent raise for hauling us around town. State legislators tried once again to reinstate the death penalty. And news from Iran and Afghanistan grew dimmer: All American correspondents were ordered to leave.

Go-go girls send Prince pop-eyed

"Kramer vs. Kramer," a film about divorce, and "All That Jazz," a revolutionary musical, captured nine nominations each in the 52nd annual Academy Awards nominations. Both films were nominated for best picture of the year as were "Apocalypse Now," "Breaking Away" and "Norma Rae." Dustin Hoffman was nominated for his performance as the confused divorced father in "Kramer vs. Kramer," along with Jack Lemmon ("The China Syndrome"), Al Pacino ("...And Justice for All"), Roy Scheider ("All That Jazz") and Peter Sellers ("Being There"). Nominated for best actress were Sally Field ("Norma Rae"), Jill Clayburgh ("Starting Over"), Jane Fonda ("The China Symdrome"), Marsha Mason ("Chapter Two") and Bette Midler ("The Rose").

THE QUEEN WUZ NOT AMUZED.

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LAS VEGAS optician Dennis Roberts —who created over 400 pairs of sunglasses for the late King of Rock—has just introduced his Elvis Presley Designer Collection. The specs come in Elvis Blue and Elvis Pink and include solid gold commemorative frames for £425.

DeWinter's Tale

Remakes are poisonous to purists, of course. But here comes a four-hour *Rebecca*. A wonderful new *Rebecca*—with Jeremy Brett as a more sexy smolderer than Olivier, and Joanna David as the fragile young thing Joan Fontaine never was. Also to be seen in this English TV series called "Mystery!" (hosted by the unmysterious Gene Shalit) is a four-parter called *Rumpole of the Bailey*, about a rumpled barrister played by Leo McKern.

REBECCA/*March 11–April 1/Channel 13*
RUMPOLE OF THE BAILEY/*February 12–March 4/Channel 13*

WHY IS THERE NO TAX ON OYL?
(ANSWER IN NEXT WEEK'S GAZETTE.)

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID U KNOW:

HEDDA AND LOUELLA THOUGHT THEY KNEW ALL THE DROPPINGS BUT THERE ARE A LOT MORE LOOSE FALCONS IN TOWN! (GASP!)

THAT OLIVE WAS OILED HERE → X

THAT HARVEY GOLDSMITH AND BILLY CONNELLY ARE HERE?

THAT DEREK TAYLOR WILL BE HERE MARCH 10 TO DO ARTICLES FOR "ROLLING STONE"?

THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING WE CAN EXPERIENCE IS THE MYSTERIOUS. IT IS THE SOURCE OF ALL TRUE ART AND SCIENCE. — "WHAT I BELIEVE" OCT. '30 ALBERT EINSTEIN IN FORUM

ALONE, ALONE, ALL, ALL ALONE;
ALONE ON A WIDE, WIDE SEA. — THE ANCIENT MARINER SAMUEL TAYLOR COLERIDGE

WHO DOTH AMBITION SHUN
AND LOVES TO LIVE 'I' THE SUN,
SEEKING THE FOOD HE EATS,
AND PLEASED WITH WHAT HE GETS. — ET TU, WIMPY? (SHAKESPEARE)

THAT ROBIN WON A GRAMMY FOR "REALITY - WHAT A CONCEPT"!

THAT PEPPINO IS NOMINATED FOR BEST CINEMATOGRAPHER!

A Baton Rouge jewelry store owner displays gold dental work that people have sold him. "Understanding the gold market," Rukeyser observes, "requires less financial anaylsis than psychoanalysis."

— CASTOR WAS RIGHT!

TINY TIM TIPTOES BACK..

By MIRROR REPORTER

SQUEAKY voiced singer Tiny Tim is trying to make a comeback.

Tim, who shot to fame in the Sixties wth Tiptoe Through the Tulips, reckons he just needs the right song.

"It's getting a hit record that counts—and that is going to happen again," he said.

Peanuts

Tim, who once earned almost £40,000 a week, now performs for peanuts in a dingy New York bar.

His former wife, Miss Vicki, who married him on a TV show ten years ago, is a dancer in the same act.

The now penniless couple divorced last year but still work together.

Tim, 50, admitted: "I know I've gone from rags to riches and then riches to rags.

"You come up, you go down, you come up again. It's just like an elevator.

"Right down to the basement, then back up to the top floor."

PENNILESS: Tim and Miss Vicki

AIN'T IT AMUSIN'?

TOAD IN THE ROAD

Signs, warning motorists to beware of migrating toads, have been put up on the main road at Dowdeswell, Glos.

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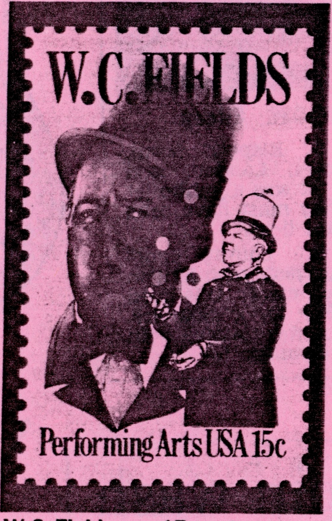
Ah, my dears, how **William Claude Dukenfield** would have chuckled over the irony surrounding his 100th birthday. To mark the date, the U.S. Postal Service issued a stamp honoring the Philadelphia-born comic who soared to film fame and immortality as **W.C. Fields.** The postmen forgot that Fields, so pinchpenny that he could name every bank in which he had an account and estimate the interest due, had willed not only his money but his name—and the attendant publicity value—to his heirs. Thus, to print the Fields stamp, the U.S. had to pay a royalty of $2,023. To the bureaucrat who overlooked Fields' foxy financial arrangement: a week's vacation in Philadelphia.



W.C. Fields on a 15-cent stamp

TIME, FEBRUARY 11, 1980

"ON THE WHOLE, I'D RATHER BE IN PHILADELPHIA..."

– HIS OWN EPITAPH

Hello, Dolly Sisters! *Haver and Grable are at left, the* Flickers *dancers above.*

Billing the Foot

Feet will do their stuff. Onscreen at the Regency, a batch of Hollywood hoofers: Ann Miller, Betty Grable, June Haver, Shirley MacLaine, Ginger Rogers, Rita Hayworth, et al. Onstage at the José Limón Dance Company: Nina Watt, Bill Cratty, and Carlos Orta in *Flickers,* a spoof of the silents.

DANCING LADIES/*January 27–March 15/Regency Theatre*
FLICKERS/*January 29–February 3/City Center*

Man Accidentally Drives Nail Through Own Heart

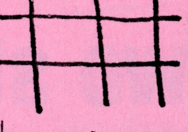
MONTROSE, Colo. (AP)—A 30-year-old carpenter says he didn't feel a thing when he accidentally drove a nail into his heart.

Joshua Kent was working on a house near Telluride last week when he picked up a nail-driving gun and it went off against his chest, driving a 2½-inch nail through his heart.

Dr. Charles Abernathy, a surgeon at Montrose Memorial Hospital, said he removed the nail by hammering it out from the inside of the breast bone. He said the nail passed through the right ventricle of Kent's heart and out the back.

Abernathy said the operation was tricky because the hole in the heart had to be sewed while the heart was beating.

Kent was discharged from the hospital on Monday.



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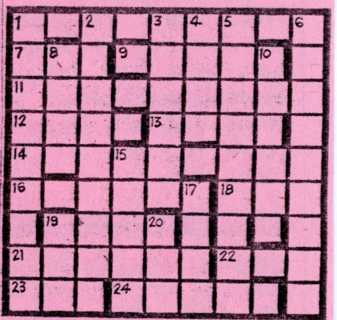


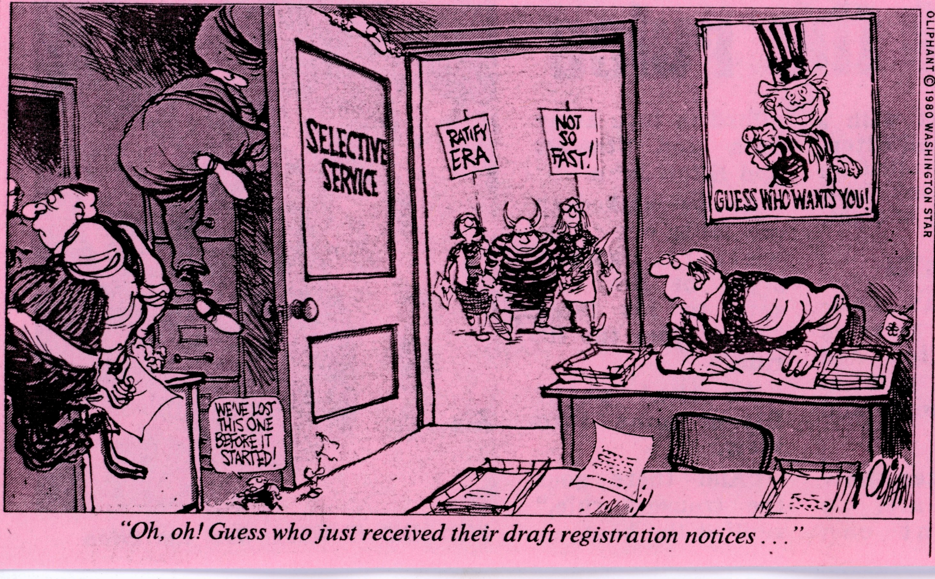
No 9,234 . . . by TIM McKAY

Across

1. Oboe casks (anag.). (4-5)
7. Vestment. (3)
9. One pole. (5)
11. Free from oxidation. (4-5)
12. Peaceful place in Genesis. (4)
13. Portion. (4)
14. Just the right thing for stuffing the turkey. (9)
16. Turn up. (6)
18. South American city. (3)
19. Trend. (4)
21. Gland in the mouth. (6)
22. Poem. (3)
23. Dip. (3)
24. Hostile army. (5)

Down

1. Without boxing gloves. (4, 5)
2. Looking on. (9)
3. Constable. (6)
4. Halo. (4)
5. More roots (anag.). (5-4)
6. It is comforting, after a bath. (4, 5)
8. Children's game. (4)
10. Inflamatory speeches. (3, 3)
15. Stop. (5)
17. Story. (4)
19. Serpent. (3)
20. Wrong. (3)


SELECTIVE SERVICE
RATIFY ERA
NOT SO FAST!
GUESS WHO WANTS YOU!
WE'VE LOST THIS ONE BEFORE IT STARTED!
OLIPHANT ©1980 WASHINGTON STAR

"Oh, oh! Guess who just received their draft registration notices . . ."

FOR DOODLING:

DID YOU KNOW?

BABIES laid on their stomachs go to sleep faster than babies laid on their backs, according to research carried out at Washington University.

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ROCK around the clock: An Illinois study has concluded that students who took an exam while pop music was being played in the background scored higher marks and suffered less psychological stress than those who took the same exam in silence. The latter group, it seems, experienced a higher heart rate and blood pressure.

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MEMO to Mary Whitehouse: Gay groups and anti-Gay groups here are both expected to pay close attention to Adam and Yves—a comedy series about two middle-aged homosexuals, even now being developed by ABC Television.

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NEED help? For a paltry nine-quid, you can buy Dr Sigmund Owl and have your own in-house Austrian-accented psychiatrist. Simply pull his string, and he'll dispense such therapeutic responses as: 'You pulled my string. Why?'

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QUOTE: 'First of all they'd have to rehearse for two years to get back to the level they were when they stopped. Second, what material would they play? Their old stuff—nobody wants to hear it any more . . .' George Martin, the record producer who master-minded the Beatles albums, on why the Fab Four should *never* reunite.

LUCILLE BALL !?

THE MEMORY SHOP

In 1933 Lucy was a chorine with minstrel Eddie Cantor.

'Jet-set fleas bit a model's behind'

MODEL: Eileen

ARTIST'S model Eileen Fox complained yesterday that she couldn't pose in the nude for six months because she had flea bites on her behind.

The fleas, said 56-year-old Miss Fox, attacked her aboard a British Airways plane.

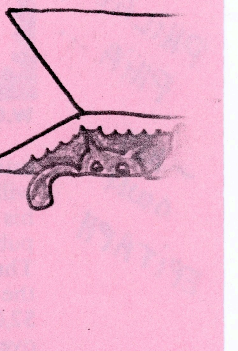
She asked three judges to let her appeal against a county court rejection of a claim for damages against the airline.

But the Appeal Court judges decided that she had applied too late. Miss Fox, of Elspeth Road, Battersea, London, said later: "It was a jumbo jet and they must have been elephant fleas."

At the county court hearing last year British Airways successfully sued Miss Fox for a £500 fare. She counter-claimed with the fleas allegation.

Cat in a hot spin wash

BOZLEY, a 12-week-old kitten, sneaked into the family washing machine. Owner Mrs Gillian Burnett didn't notice him among the towels, switched on and went shopping. Bozley was given a warm pre-wash, spin, cold rinse and hot wash before her husband saw him, stopped the machine and took him to a vet. Mrs Burnett, of Broughton, Humberside, stayed up all night with the kitten. 'Next day Bozley perked up and quickly recovered,' she said. 'It's remarkable.'



How two stars broke all the rules

ELTON JOHN is one of Rod's closest friends. And they both share a total love of music . . . and a zany sense of humour.

I'll never forget the night they dined at The Palace, one of New York's most exclusive and expensive restaurants.

Before we left for dinner, I informed Mr. Stewart and Mr. John that the restaurant has certain dress rules.

One of them was that men had to wear a suit with a tie. Rod and Elton eventually rolled up at this swank joint with a party of eight.

Shorts

Rod was conspicuously wearing no tie. Elton had donned a pair of running shorts and odd shoes.

No matter how chic you are, no restaurant can afford to turn away both Rod Stewart and Elton John.

As we walked to our table, one of the waiters caught sight of Rod. He said to his boss: "There goes the tie rule."

At that point Elton came into view.

"And there goes the trousers rule," replied the boss.

WEARING IT WELL: Rod and Elton

BIG BOB'S PAGE

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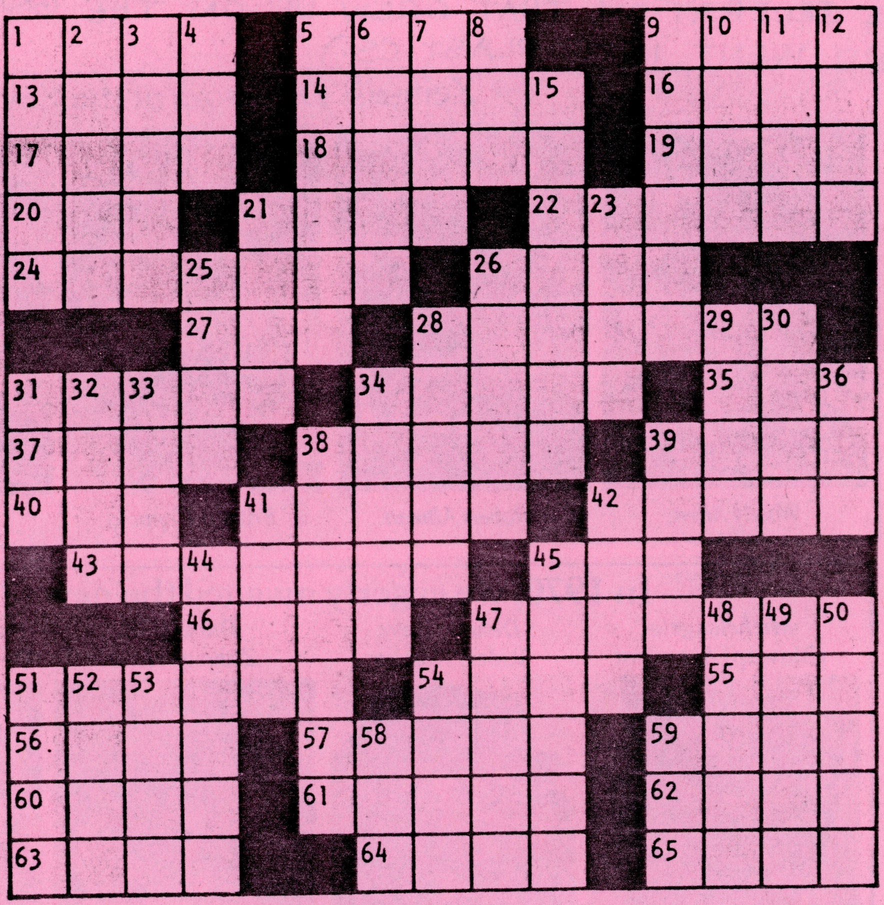
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17 Barkley's nickname
18 Sheeplike
19 English county
20 Individual
21 17 Across' boss: Abbr.
22 Holes
24 Military rank
26 Orson or Lima
27 A Gershwin
28 Seething
31 Classroom substance
34 Burst of gunfire
35 Not at home
37 Ashen
38 Discrimination
39 Erato
40 Fleming or Baker
41 Does office work
42 Revolutionary government
43 Calder works
45 Wire measure
46 Misfortunes
47 A thousand thousand
51 Redesignate
54 Endure
55 Vincey's quest
56 Has obligations
57 Raises
59 Woe!
60 Only
61 Bristles
62 Shopping mall
63 Nudge
64 Permits
65 Iowa college locale

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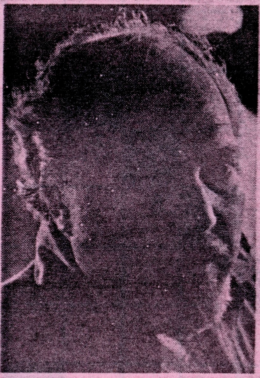
1 Chaos
2 Where the action is
3 Snooze
4 How weasels go
5 Miss Swanson
6 Black bird
7 Protection
8 Blemish
9 "The string"
10 The last word
11 Military standing
12 Quantities: Abbr.
15 Come into possession
21 Estes, for one
23 Angelic headgear
25 Floor covering
26 Dashes off
28 Plinths
29 Part of speech
30 Sudden breeze
31 Tax man
32 Hurt
33 Choir member
34 Soupy ——
36 Oolong
38 Steering mechanisms
39 —— it over
41 Movie
42 Leave in the lurch
44 Prejudiced
45 Hits off target
47 French revolutionist
48 Mohammedanism
49 Chicago's airport
50 Builds a home
51 A —— in the hay
52 Pitcher
53 Cocktail pianist
54 Of —— (recently)
58 Conger
59 Nurse

WE LOST IT AT THE MOVIES (FROM FILM COMMENT JAN-FEB 1980)

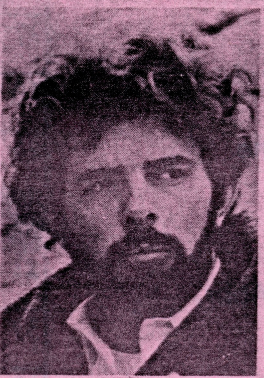
(THE GENERATION THAT GREW UP ON THE GRADUATE TOOK OVER HOLLYWOOD - AND WENT INTO PLASTICS.)

Zeitgeist Directors of the Seventies

Woody Allen.


Robert Altman.

Francis Coppola.


George Lucas.

Paul Mazursky.

In 1970, we eagerly awaited the new film directed by . . .

Michelangelo (Blowup) *Antonioni*

. . .it was Zabriskie Point.

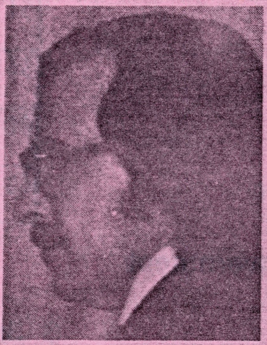
Dennis (Easy Rider) *Hopper*

. . .it was The Last Movie.

David (Dr. Zhivago) *Lean*

. . .it was Ryan's Daughter.

Paul (Bob & Carol & Ted & Alice) *Mazursky*


. . .it was Alex in Wonderland.

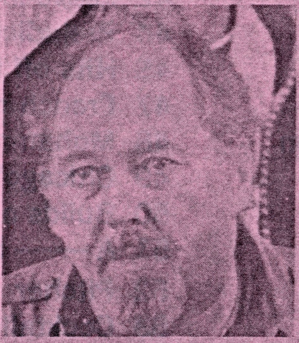
Mike (The Graduate) *Nichols*

. . .it was Catch-22.

In 1970, few people awaited the new film directed by

THAT'S OUR MAN-

Robert (That Cold Day in the Park) *Altman*


. . .it was M*A*S*H.

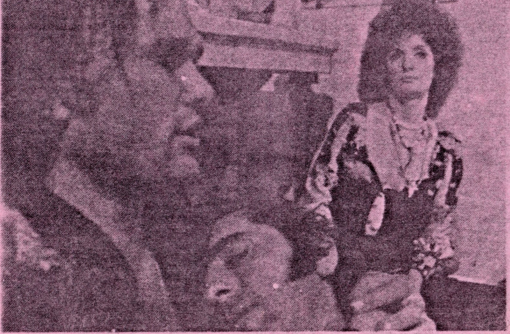
Bob (Head) *Rafelson*

. . .it was Five Easy Pieces.

Ken (Billion Dollar Brain) *Russell*

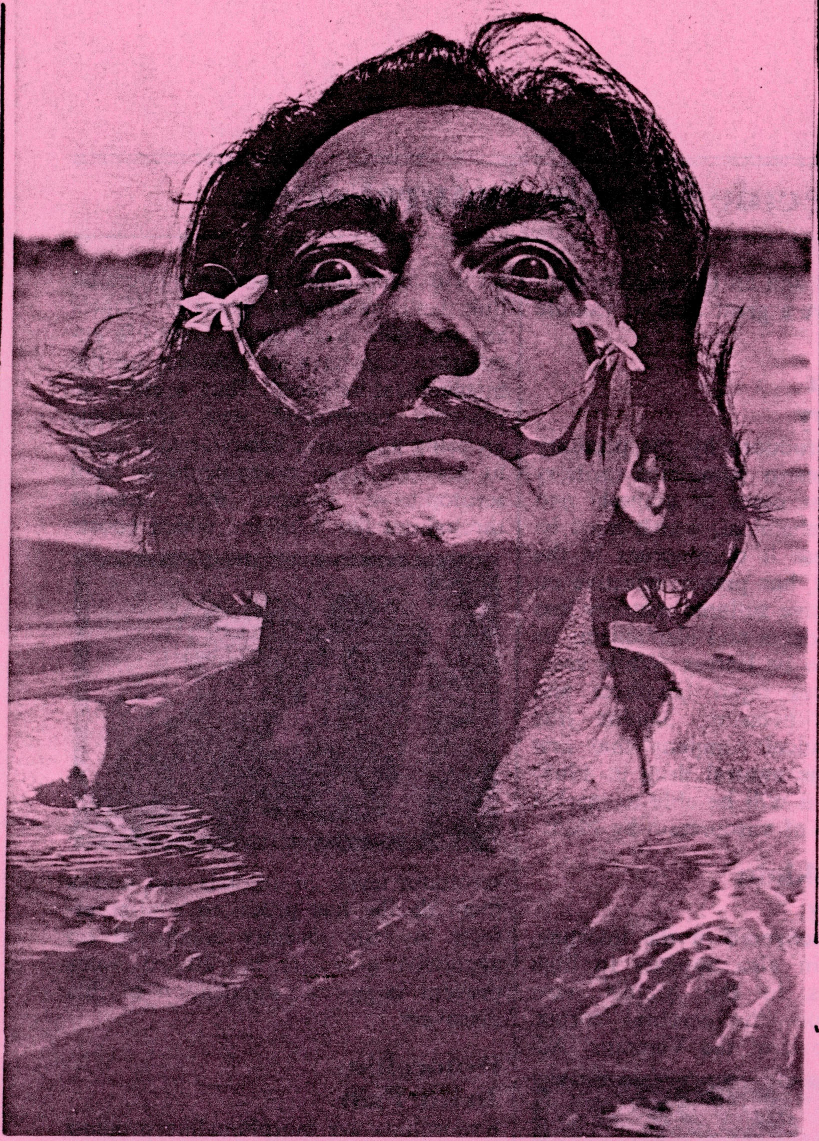
. . . it was Women in Love.

The computers were wrong about . . .


movies about dopers (*like* Cisco Pike).

movies about Hollywood (*like* W.C. Fields & Me).

movies about gangs (*like* Boulevard Nights).



ART - AN EDITOYL OPINION

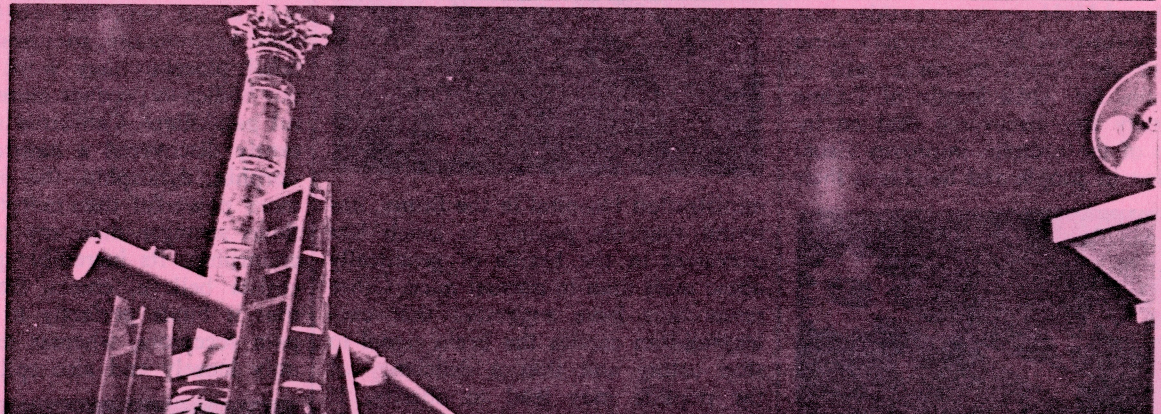
CAN'T A MAN GO FOR A SWIM IN HIS OWN BACK YARD WITHOUT IT BEING CALLED ART?! WHAT IS ART, ANYWAY? WHAT WAS IT? WHERE IS IT GOING? AND HOW FAR WILL IT GO THIS IS AN ENIGMA, IF YOU ASK ME. PAR EXEMPLE, TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THIS PICTURE HERE. YOU CAN SEE THE WAX ON HIS MOUSTACHE – ECH! ART USED TO MAKE YOU LOOK GOOD. NOWADAYS THEY THINK IT'S MORE ARTISTIC TO MAKE YOU LOOK LIKE YOU REALLY LOOK - WITH IRREGULAR HAIRS AND SHAVING CUTS AND PIMPLES (BLECH!) AND WRINKLY NECKS, ET AL. WHY DO YOU THINK THEY DO THIS? AND WHAT'L IT BE FOR NEXT YEAR? J.T. PREDICTS IT' GET EVEN MORE EXPLICIT! THEY MAY EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO SHOW THE GERM FLOATIN AROUND IN THE WATER, AND THE LITTLE BUGS THAT LIGHT ON YOU JUST WHEN THEY'RE GONNA SNAP THE PICTURE AND WHAT'S WORSE, THEY MAY NOT EVEN PUT FLOWERS IN THE SHOT! OR FILM IN THE CAMERA!

I TELL YOU, IT'S DISGUSTING - IT'S REALLY DISGUSTING.

— THANK YOU,

JEANETTE
THRUSH

"DALI DANS L'EAU"
1953 - JEAN DIEUZAIDE



"CUILLER DE HARRY"
1979 - SALVADOR DALI

An insomniac's dream: a molecule for safe, natural sleep.

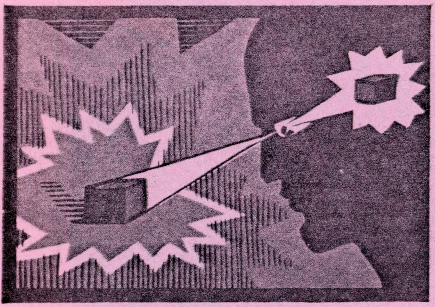
2 ovulated—and that was due to faulty doses. With its dual effects, LRH could save many a marriage.

Gamma Compound For Anxiety

Our own brains produce a substance that appears to outclass Valium as an anti-anxiety drug. Danish scientists recently extracted a tenth of a teaspoon of what they're calling the gamma compound from thousands of quarts of urine. It binds to the same receptors in the brain involved in the action of Valium, Librium, and other benzodiazepine drugs, but binds more tightly than all other known anti-anxiety compounds, natural and man-made. Even more promising is the fact that while all commercial anti-anxiety drugs bind indiscriminately to receptors throughout the brain, producing side effects of drowsiness, muddled thinking, and poor coordination, the gamma compound appears to bind only to those receptors involved in feelings of anxiety. Its discoverer, Claus Braestrup, expects the natural tranquilizer to serve as a template from which chemists can design drugs that bind selectively to produce a single action with no side effects.

ACTH/MSH for Concentration

ACTH and MSH are two peptides that are manufactured by the pituitary gland and are also found in nerve cells in the brain. Dr. Abba Kastin of Tulane University has discovered that an injection of the proteins improves visual retention in people and heightens their powers of concentration. People who can concentrate despite the most tempting distractions may naturally produce generous amounts of the joint compound. Perhaps the most significant discovery is that ACTH/MSH enables the mentally retarded to comprehend tasks more rapidly and exhibit clearer thinking. This fact may indicate that some forms of retardation are caused by the lack of the concentration compound. The natural proteins are being tested on senile patients and on hyperactive children, who have a great deal of trouble concentrating.



Vasopressin For Memory

A hormone produced by the pituitary gland, vasopressin stimulates memory in the severest cases of amnesia and senility. The chemical, which must be inhaled because it decomposes in the digestive tract, has proven effective on people who have suffered memory loss from car accidents and alcoholism; its effects seem to be lasting. While vasopressin induces rapid heartbeat and higher blood pressure, Sandoz (the Swedish chemical company that first synthesized the natural drug in 1968) now predicts it will be able to market a safe version of vasopressin by 1985.

Cholecystokinin For Obesity

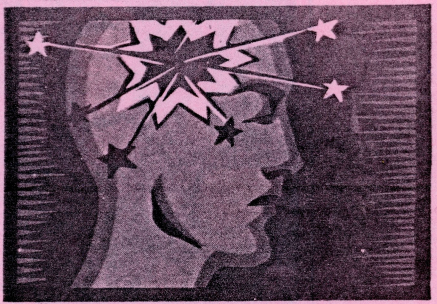
Originally discovered in the intestine, cholecystokinin also appears in high concentrations in the brain's most evolved region, the cerebral cortex. Rosalyn Yalow, at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in the Bronx, has found that the peptide is much less prevalent in the brains of genetically obese mice than in normal mice. Other researchers have suggested that cholecystokinin carries the brain signal to stop eating and that a deficiency of the peptide may lead to obesity. If this is true, injections of the peptide may one day cure obesity.

Norepinephrine And Aggression

Messages are routed through the brain by tiny chemicals called neurotransmitters, and two of these, serotonin and norepinephrine, are linked to aggressive behavior. Using navy men as subjects, Dr. Frederick Goodwin of the National Institute of Mental Health learned that men with more serotonin in their spinal fluid scored lowest on aggression-measuring tests, but those with more norepinephrine scored highest. He suspects the chemical-aggression link isn't necessarily genetic: "One's environment, particularly early life experience, can have an influence on the biochemical balance." Thus, a child repeatedly confronted with situations arousing aggressive behavior may learn to produce more norepinephrine than serotonin—a pattern that remains throughout life. Lithium, which boosts serotonin levels in animals and makes them docile, has produced similar effects in tests recently conducted on aggressive prisoners, but ethical issues prevent large-scale application of this discovery.

Dynorphin To Kill Pain

Endorphins are morphine-like proteins found in the brain and other tissues. They act to dull pain, binding to nerve cells at the same site where morphine acts. Acupuncture, anesthesia, and pain-relief placebos may work by causing our bodies to produce more of its natural painkillers. California scientists recently discovered a natural brain endorphin, dynorphin, that is 200 times more powerful than morphine and 50 times stronger than any other known endorphin. Its incredible potency, scientists believe, comes from the fact that it binds perfectly to the brain's pain receptors, whereas morphine fits only loosely and also spills over into receptors in other areas, such as the emotion center. Dynorphin is expected to lead to the development of very powerful, non-addictive painkilling drugs within a few years. ■



AROUND TOWN

Phyllis Diller *is at Les Mouches January 23rd to 25th.* ***Riselle Bain*** ***(at right) is one of the stars of*** ***Hit Tunes From Flop Shows*** ***(Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights) through February 3rd, at the Ward-Nasse Gallery, 131 Prince Street.***

self-indulgent coat of lacquer by Maggie Smith. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Thru 3/22. ANTA, 245 W 52nd (246-6270).

Oh! Calcutta!–Revival of the musical devised by Kenneth Tynan. Sketches by Jules Feiffer, Leonard Melfi, John Lennon, David Newman, Robert Benton, Dan Greenburg, Sam Shepard. Mon thru Wed at 8; Thurs dark; Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 9:30; Sun at 3 & 7. Edison, 240 W 47th (757-7164).

Oklahoma!–Revival of the Rodgers/Hammerstein II work which has one of the strongest scores ever written for an American musical. Agnes de Mille's choreography, splendid for its time, now is slightly dated, and the dancing is woefully pedestrian. There are two wonderful performances: Harry Groener is a delightful actor, and a hell of a tap dancer, and Martin Vidnovic makes better sense as Jud than his predecessors. The leads, Christine Andreas and Laurence Guittard, however, are disconcerting. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Palace, 1564 Bdway (757-2626).

On Golden Pond–Frances Sternhagen and Tom Aldredge again head the cast of this returning play by Ernest Thompson. Directed by Craig Anderson; with Ronn Carroll, Barbara Andres, Stan Lachow, and Mark Bendo. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Century Theater, 235 W 46th (354-6644).

Peter Pan–Sandy Duncan and Christopher Hewett costar in a new production of the musical comedy based on the James M. Barrie book. *Peter Pan* is a much deeper, darker, finer play than this revival of the bowdlerized musicalization suggests. The songs are undistinguished; the dances are uninspired. Music: Mark Charlap. Lyrics: Carolyn Leigh. Directed and choreographed by Rob Iscove. Wed thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 2 & 6:30. Lunt/Fontanne Theater, 205 W 46th (586-5555).

Romantic Comedy–A shy young schoolteacher walks in on the wedding day of her favorite playwright, and they proceed to collaborate, for the next fourteen years, on numerous hits and flops. Bernard Slade, in his attempt to write a romantic comedy in the manner of post-Hays Office Hollywood (with a sprinkling of Shaw and a dash of Coward), has opted for that hoariest of cliffhangers, the three-act coitus interruptus. Mia Farrow is vastly superior to Anthony Perkins, who desperately lacks charisma. Joseph Hardy has directed smoothly. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Ethel Barrymore, 243 W 47th (246-0390).

Strider: The Story of a Horse–Leo Tolstoy's play, adapted by Mark Rozovsky, starring Gerald Hiken, and transformed by directors Robert Kalfin and Lynne Gannaway into a delightful horse operetta. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Helen Hayes Theater, 210 W 46 (246-6380).

Sugar Babies–If there is such a thing as consummate bad taste, this musical has it. The obscenity is obsolete, the bawdry tawdry, and the wit nit. It all appeals only to inane nostalgia. Mickey Rooney at a mere 59 manages to look like a sassy 68 and move like a nimble 72. Ann Miller's brand of stale dancing is unwithered by age, her legs are still fine, and her figure still squeezable into shape. Conceived by Ralph G. Allen/Harry Rigby; music by Jimmy McHugh; lyrics by Fields and Dubin. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Mark Hellinger, 237 W 51st (757-7064).

Sweeney Todd–Sweeney Todd thinks big and delivers big. In music, it strives for opera; in visuals, it overwhelms; in words, it seems to aim at searing social comment. The result, in many ways, falls short of the intention, and a certain coldness cannot be denied to this Stephen Sondheim/Harold Prince musical. Still, Angela Lansbury's performance and the work of several other talented people make this musical Grand Guignol a provocative, if not necessarily gripping, occasion. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Uris, 51st W of Bdway (586-6510).

They're Playing Our Song–Neil Simon's musical comedy about a work-obsessed tunesmith and a wisecracking, Jewish-style urban neurotic collaborator (Tony Roberts and Lucie Arnaz). An ensemble of three men and three women act as alter egos for the stars. Lucie Arnaz, whose raspy speaking voice is off-putting, has a raucous singing voice which is rousing. Composer and lyricist are Marvin Hamlisch and Carole Bayer Sager. Douglas W. Schmidt's sets and projections are as cute as they are clever; Tharon Musser's lighting is inventive. Robert Moore's direction is, perhaps needfully, overemphatic. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Imperial, 249 W 45th (265-4311).

OFF and OFF-OFF BROADWAY

Another Way To Love–Cabaret of erotic vignettes. Fri & Sat at 8. Project Theater, 127 Grand St (966-0322).

The Apple Tree–Musical by Jerry Bock/Sheldon Harnick. Presented by the Manhattanites. 1/25-27; 2/1-3, at 8. St. Timothy & St. Matthew's 26 W 84th (742-3804).

Bag Lady–Shami Chaiken stars in Jean-Claude van Itallie's play. Thurs thru Mon at 7:30; Sun at 3. Thru 2/3. Theater for the New City, 162 Second Ave (254-1109).

Bargain for Murder–Phyllis Craig's story of murder and intrigue. Tues thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Royal Court, 301 W 55th (997-9582).

Blackforest–Boris Vasiliev's play takes place at an air raid alert station on the Russian border in 1942. Directed by Yvgeny Lanskoy. Mon thru Wed at 8; Fri & Sat at 10; Sun at 3. 1/25-2/20. Vandam Theater, 15 Vandam St (675-0498).

The Blood Knot–Revival of Athol Fugard's social drama, directed by Suzanne Shepherd; with Danny Glover and Cotter Smith. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed, Sat & Sun at 2. From 1/22. Roundabout/Stage Two, 307 W 26th (242-7800).

Celestial Imprints and Turtles–Terry Gregory wrote and directed this comedy about disasters caused in the search for self-expression. Thurs thru Sun at 8. Thru 2/3. Wonderhorse, 83 E 4th St (533-5888).

Circle Repertory–*Hamlet,* with William Hurt, Jacqueline Brooks, Douglass Watson, Lindsay Crouse, and Michael Ayr, rotates with *Mary Stuart,* with Stephanie Gordon and Tanya Berezin. Directed by Marshall W. Mason. Thru 2/17. Phone for specifics. Circle Rep, 99 7th Ave So (924-7100).

Class Enemy–The young British playwright Nigel Williams's work about six representative specimens of schoolboys in an inner-city school waiting for a master to control and teach them. Tony Tanner has directed in masterly fashion, and the effect, in the long run, is as close to uplifting as an honest play dealing with harsh truths can have the skill and right to come. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3. Players Theater, 115 MacDougal St (254-5076).

The Consoling Virgin–Bruce Serlen's play, directed by Lawrence Sacharow, about four people living in an apartment on the upper East Side of New York. Thurs thru Sun, at 9. Thru 2/3. Theater for the New City, 162 Second Ave (254-1105).

CSC Repertory–*Cuchulain, the Warrior King,* William Butler Yeats's work, set in Ireland against a background of rival warrior kings and mystical forces, rotating with Christopher Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus* and Moliere's *Don Juan.* Call for dates and times. CSC, 136 E 13th (677-4210).

Darkness, Fierce Winds–Drama, by James Childs, about a love so fierce that the author is compelled

Theater

ON BROADWAY

Monday, January 21

Harold and Maude–Janet Gaynor stars with Keith McDermott and Ruth Ford in Colin Higgins's play about a woman of eighty and a man of nineteen. Robert Lewis directs. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Previews now prior to a 2/7 opening. Martin Beck, 302 W 45th (246-6363).

Friday, January 25

The Lady From Dubuque–Irene Worth in Edward Albee's "mysterious menacing comedy-drama about three interwoven suburban couples who are suddenly and inexplicably visited by an older woman." With Tony Musante, Earle Hyman, Maureen Anderman, Kevin O'Connor, David Leary, Frances Conroy, and Celia Weston. Directed by Alan Schneider. Previews start tonight prior to a January 31 opening. Morosco, 217 W 45th (246-4636).

CURRENT

Ain't Misbehavin'–Would the slapdash playfulness, the lovable smallness of this show survive the lure of self-aggrandizement, moving from Off- to On Broadway? Nothing to worry about; it did. The delicious songs by Fats Waller and his friends continue their joyous renaissance. Mon thru Wed, Fri & Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Plymouth, 236 W 45th (730-1760).

Annie–*Oliver Twist* in drag, but — given such surefire ingredients as a chorus line of moppets, a Christmas tree, and a dog called Sandy — only a churl could cavil even if Thomas Meehan's book is a far cry from Harold Grey's comic-strip *Annie,* as is Charles Strouse's score from his best work. Tues thru Sat at 8; Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Alvin, 250 W 52nd (757-8646).

Bent–There are two main troubles with Martin Sherman's play: It is melodrama—bad enough—worsening into mushiness in Act II; and it is all utterly ahistorical and preposterous—a kind of combination homosexual wet dream and Steigian dream of glory. Either way, it deals with something too deep and difficult to be entrusted to hack writing. Robert Alan Ackerman's staging can be commended for sturdy professionalism, and most of the performances are as good as the material allows. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. New Apollo, 234 W 43rd (921-8558).

The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas–Attempts to squeeze salaciousness out of a bordello setting are rather repellent, not because of the setting, but because it is like trying to squeeze blood out of stones. Every variation on the brothel theme has been worked into the ground. Mon thru Sat at 8.; Wed & Sat at 2. 46th St Theater, 226 W 46th (246-0246).

Betrayal–Pinter's triangle of two close friends and the woman they share has few surprises and fewer insights. The gimmick of having the story run backward, along with Pinter's usual pauses, only point up the general emptiness. Blythe Danner's witty, inspired acting is what makes the play endurable. Peter Hall has directed with his customary slickness. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Trafalgar, 208 W 41st (921-8000).

A Chorus Line–Every generation needs its own backstage legend, and this one is a worthy descendant of *42nd St.* Out of the real words of chorus-line aspirants, James Kirkwood and Nicholas Dante have fashioned a shiny romance, and it bounces agreeably off Marvin Hamlisch's paper-thin score. Michael Bennett's direction covers a multitude of inadequacies. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Shubert, 225 W 44th (246-5990).

Comin' Uptown–Peter Udell/Philip Rose/Garry Sherman's musicalization of *A Christmas Carol,* made for a black cast, might be your cup of cafe au lait. It is boisterous and endearing. Gregory Hines's Scrooge is as witty as it is beautiful. See him! Robin Wagner's set is delightful: Chinese boxes that spell Harlem; the way they get in place is half the fun.

And they are populated with the liveliest, canniest, comeliest cast of professionals you've seen assembled in many a moon. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Winter Garden, 1634 Broadway (245-4878).

Dancin'–Director Bob Fosse has devised a heterogeneous choreography ranging from classical ballet through modern dance to every form of show-biz and disco dancin'. What doesn't work is the two side by side, like internecine Siamese twins. The proximity of popular dance gives ballet an air of pretentiousness; ballet retaliates by making pop dancing look facile, tawdry. *Dancin'* is sheer perfection for the vulgarians, anathema for the purists, and a mixed bag for the overwhelming rest of us. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Broadhurst, 235 W 44th (247-0472).

Deathtrap–Ira Levin's play concerns a formerly successful playwright, a disciple who sends him a play clearly destined to become a Broadway smash, and the stale playwright's disapproving wife, who has strong scruples and a weak heart. There is a basic problem with the comedy-mystery genre, wherein the laughs are supposed to lull you into a false security. The plot, however, is impossible. With John Cullum, Marian Seldes, and Elizabeth Parrish. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Music Box, 239 W 45th (246-4636).

The Elephant Man–Bernard Pomerance's play has moved up from off Broadway. Stars are Jack Wetherall, Patricia Elliott, and Donal Donnelly; director is Jack Hofsiss. The supporting players are fine and I.M. Hobson is a bloody marvel. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Booth, 222 W 45th (246-5969).

Evita–One must concede to the show what the lyrics say about its heroine: It has its moments, it has lots of style; but as to the moral issue: What sort of chaps are these authors (Tim Rice & Andrew Lloyd Weber) who can exalt with equal enthusiasm Jesus Christ the last time around and Eva Peron this time? The two had nothing in common except that both died at 33. The three principals are surprisingly good. Patti LuPone's presence and antics are an apt replica of Eva's looks and methods. She acts very persuasively, sings and dances hard, but without visible effort, and in all ways gives of herself unstintingly. Bob Gunton struts and postures with a nice blend of Peronian obtuseness, and Mandy Patinkin conveys the multiplicity and ubiquity we want from a one-man chorus. Directed by Harold Prince. Mon thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2. Broadway, Broadway at 53rd (247-3600).

Gemini–Albert Innaurato's saga of life in a Philadelphia backyard is, at once, a stupendous verbal circus and a touching story of people desperately needing to be noticed. Innaurato writes extremely well, and his control over simultaneously ongoing lines of action is somewhat akin to Bach's mastery over fugues. Peter Mark Schifter's direction is splendid. Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2, Sun at 3. Little Theater, 240 W 44th (221-6425).

Grease–Broadway's senior musical, about high school shenanigans in the fifties, now seems as much a period piece as any Romberg operetta, but the energy of the original has been remarkably well preserved. Without a single memorable song or solo turn, the show holds onto an amusing, attractive ridiculousness, mostly due to Patricia Birch's lively choreography and Tom Moore's no-nonsense direction. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Royale, 242 W 45th (245-5760). 1/29, moves to the Majestic Theater, 247 W 44th (246-0730).

Loose Ends–Michael Weller's play is essentially an intelligent and sometimes charming soap opera. Christine Lahti has the female lead. Alan Schneider directs. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Thru 1/27. Circle in the Square, 1633 Bdway (581-0720).

Night and Day–An attempt by Tom Stoppard to go beyond cleverness, this is still a predominantly clever, witty, feelingless play. Civil war in Africa, debates about the function of journalism, and the one-night stands of a sassy, married English woman, jostle one another, deluging the audience with more overweening trivia than the mind can absorb. Cannily directed by Peter Wood, and acted with great polish by everyone, and with an extra, tries to reclaim her child, the movie takes a tragic turn. It's an ironic summing up of the decade of self-realization and women's lib. With Jane Alexander. Photography by Nestor Almendros. Loews State II; Loews Tower East.

La Cage Aux Folles–Ugo Tognazzi is a homosexual nightclub owner in St. Tropez and Michel Serrault is his long-time lover and drag-queen star in a lamentably maudlin and exploitative comedy from France. Tognazzi, it turns out, has a 20-year-old son who wants to marry the daughter of the most respectable family in France. When they come to dinner, predictable disasters occur. The movie is standard boulevard farce colored lavender. The actors, however, are extremely skilled, and the movie, though frequently coarse, is never dull. 68th St Playhouse.

The Marriage of Maria Braun–The tantalizing and insolent beauty Hanna Schygulla stars as Maria Braun, a tough, ambitious German girl who marries a Wehrmacht officer amid the rubble of 1944 and who then survives, through hustling, marginal prostitution and shrewd business sense, into the prosperous years of the "economic miracle." Maria is meant to represent the strength as well as the greed and hard opportunism of post-war Germany. Directed by the German whiz kid Rainer Werner Fassbinder in his usual blunt, acridly funny style. See it for Schygulla's blood-raising sensual fullness; she's one of the ripest and funniest screen images in years. Cinema Studio I.

1941–Steven Spielberg's epic comedy about invasion panic in California in the weeks following Pearl Harbor is a fervent pop paean to a country still young, foolish, and innocent. The movie is terribly repetitive, and strains too hard for laughs, but underneath all the physical pratfalls and blundering there's an amiable spirit. The cinematographer, William Fraker, makes everything look as fresh-scrubbed as Norman Rockwell covers, and many of the actors in the huge cast are very funny. Starring Dan Aykroyd, John Belushi, Tim Matheson, Robert Stack, Ned Beatty, Treat Williams, Nancy Allen, and Wendie Jo Sperber. Written by Robert Zemeckis and Bob Gale. Gemini II; thru 1/24, RKO 86th I & Rivoli.

Norma Rae–Or, "The Good Ol' Girl Meets David Dubinsky." Sally Field, in an affecting and humorous performance, is an angry, beaten-down southern textile worker and Ron Liebman is a street-smart New-York-Jewish labor organizer who rouses her to the injustices of factory life. Written by the veteran team of Irving Ravetch and Harriet Frank Jr., Martin Ritt's production is awkwardly staged, and it sets out its liberal-humane, pro-unionist sentiments a little too bluntly, but the picture is still moving and funny. *Norma Rae* has been formed by women's movement perceptions without being burdened by women's movement rhetoric, and Sally Field's anger propels the movie forward. With Beau Bridges. D.W. Griffith.

Robert et Robert–Charles Denner, Jean-Claude Brialy, Jacques Villaret, and Regine, in a comedy about a computerized lonely hearts club; directed by Claude Lelouch. 57th Street Playhouse.

The Rose–The final booze-and-drug-shadowed days of a murderously unhappy rock star modeled after Janis Joplin. The movie is a downer all the way—not even the concert scenes are exhilarating because Bette Midler, the star, is working too hard to sing in a style alien to her temperament. Still, the movie is grimly fascinating, and Midler's performance grabs you by the collar—she gets you to feel what she wants you to feel. She doesn't protect herself like most actresses—she lets herself look awful, degraded, incoherent. You have to admire her gallantry. With Alan Bates as a hard-souled rock businessman and the excellent Frederic Forrest as a drifter who provides Rose with a few minutes of happiness. Written by Bo Goldman and Bill Kerby; directed by Mark Rydell. Ziegfeld.

The Silent Partner–A timid Toronto bank teller (Elliott Gould) watches a robbery in progress and manages to outsmart the thief (Christopher Plummer) and pocket the cash. But the thief is clever, persistent, and extremely violent, and he makes the teller's life a nightmare. This well-plotted thriller, directed by Darryl Duke *(Payday)*, has a nasty cynical edge (particularly in its attitudes towards women) and one scene of gratuitous sadism, but most of it is pleasing. Sadism aside, it may remind you of an old Alec Guinness movie. Cinema II.

The Trouble With Europe, *with Perry King and Kristoffer Tabori, directed by Daniel Freudenberger, opens January 24 at Marymount Manhattan Theater, and continues through February 17. 221 East 71st Street (730-0794).*

Star Trek—The Motion Picture–Film is an immensely dull enlargement of the "legendary" TV series of the late sixties, the 79 episodes of which have been repeatedly revived, all over the world, at the demand of rabid fans (known as "Trekkies"). The original cast has been reassembled. Here are William Shatner, as Captain Jim Kirk, sucking in his gut and looking like a muscular dentist; DeForest Kelly trying to be acerbic as the ship's doctor, "Bones"; and the ineffable Leonard Nimoy, with his yellowish complexion, drag-queen-satanic eyebrows, and pointy ears, as Mr. Spock, the half-Vulcan science officer. On a small screen, terrible acting can be endearing—but how are we supposed to watch these in a movie theater? The special effects, by Douglas Trumbull and John Dykstra, are fine, but the picture lacks fantasy, humor, excitement—everything. Directed by Robert Wise. Loews Orpheum I; Loews State I; 34th St E; Paramount.

Stay as You Are–Marcello Mastroianni has an affair with Nastassia Kinski, a girl young enough to be his daughter. In fact, there's a good possibility she *is* his daughter, though by the time this interminable movie is over you may not give a damn. The veteran Alberto Lattuada, directing in the standard international style of shlock lyricism, includes a montage of erotic sleeping poses, with the lovers' bodies cross-crossed, jackknifed, etc., that is one of the most hilarious things in recent movies. Mastroianni looks tired, while Miss Kinski, who has the lithe body (much on display), blond hair, and large features of every other girl in the French *Vogue*, acts seductive by twisting her neck backwards and opening her mouth. Beekman.

10–A successful Los Angeles pop composer (Dudley Moore) rebels against oncoming middle age by chasing after a gorgeous girl (Bo Derek, looking like something out of a shampoo commercial) who has just gotten married. Meanwhile his womanly girl friend (Julie Andrews, who looks great) waits for him to calm down. This leisurely and often very funny comedy by Blake Edwards (director of the *Pink Panther* series) successfully has it both ways: It satirizes male sexual obsessions and, at the same time, allows us to enjoy those obsessions for their soft-core-porno juiciness. Quad; Manhattan II.

To Forget Venice–Franco Brusati's film of a closely knit group of people clinging to youth. With Erland Josephson and Mariangela Melato. Opens January 28 at the Little Carnegie.

Windows!–Elizabeth Ashley, looking as if she were ravaged by sex and nasty thoughts, is Andrea, Brooklyn Heights lesbian poetess, slinking around in silver silks and lighting her cigarets in an insinuating manner, like a thirties-movie dragon lady. Talia Shire is the frumpish Emily with whom Andrea is obsessively in love. Does Andrea make a pass at Emily? Certainly not! Instead, she hires a Neanderthalish taxi driver to assault Emily at knifepoint in order to turn her off men. Cinematographer Gordon Willis, directing for the first time, lets the story—such as it is—slip through his fingers and busies himself with such problems as getting an Edward Hopperish morning light on the New York skyscrapers. The movie has no tension, no drive, no social context to give its preposterous plot a little support. It's a photographer's abstract fantasia on anti-homosexual themes. With Joseph Cortese as a Sylvester Stallone-type cop. Baronet; RKO Cinerama I.

AROUND TOWN

to murder. Thurs thru Sun at 7:30. 1/24-2/10. Holy Name House, 214 W 97th (799-9233).

Deer Season–Phyllis Green's play about a housewife oppressed by the banality of suburban living. Directed by Ronald Roston. 1/22-2/3, at 8. St Clement's, 423 W 46th (246-7277).

The Doctor in Spite of Himself–Moliere's play performed in 17th century French classical comedy style. Wed thru Sat at 8. Thru 1/31. Sidewalks Theater, 44 Beaver St (480-9074).

Double Bill–Harold Pinter's *The Lover* and *Landscape.* Thru 1/24. Fri & Sat at 8; Sun at 3; Mon at 7:30. Counterpoint, 152 W 66th (799-6954).

Double Bill–Kevin O'Morrison's *On Line* and *On Ice,* directed by Stephen Zuckerman, are two frightening tales of the future. Thru 1/28. IRT, 120 W 28th (929-8003).

Double Bill–John Sayles *Turnbuckle,* and Adam LeFevre's *The Window Washers.* 1/21-2/3. MPL Theater, 260 W 41st (279-4200).

Double Bill–William Inge's *A Murder;* Jerome Kass's *Young Marrieds at Play;* directed by Ronald Durling. Fri & Sat at 8; Sun at 5. Thru 4/27. Shandol Theater, 137 W 22nd (245-2089).

Drama Committee Rep–Oscar Wilde's *A Woman of No Importance,* Tues thru Sun; thru 2/10. G.B. Shaw's *The Doctor's Dilemma,* Wed thru Sun, thru 2/17. 17 W 20th (929-8377).

Dublin Duet–Sean O'Casey's two one-acters, *A Pound on Demand* and *Bedtime Story,* directed by James E. Dwyer. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 2/3. Meat and Potatoes, 58 W 39th (391-2346).

Endgame–Samuel Beckett's play, directed by Joseph Chaiken. Tues thru Sun at 8; Sat & Sun at 2:30. Thru 2/10. Manhattan Theatre Club, 321 E 73rd (472-0600) *Reviewed this week.*

Fair Play for Eve–Musical by Paul Rawlings and Jerry Markoe, together with Robert Partrick's *My Cup Ranneth Over.* Tues thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 2/17. 3 Muses Theater, Hotel Ansonia, 73rd & Bdway (242-3900).

The Fantasticks–Musical based on the Rostand play, in its zillionth year and the end is not in sight. Has spawned plenty of on-Bdway talent. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3 & 7:30. Sullivan St Playhouse at Bleecker (674-3838).

Fishing–Michael Weller's play. 1/24-27; 1/31-2/3; 2/7-10. Thurs thru Sat at 7:30; Sun at 4:30. 18th St Theater, 145 W 18th (535-4797).

Friends–Crispin Larangeira's play about the stresses and hardships of a thirty-year marrige; directed by Leonardo Shapiro. Thurs thru Sun. Thru 1/27. New Federal Theater, 466 Grand St (766-9334).

Fugue in a Nursery–Second play by Harvey Fierstein in his "Torch Song Trilogy," continuing the story of the characters originally encountered. Directed by Eric Conklin. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7:30 & 10; Sun at 3 & 7:30. Orpheum, 2nd Ave at St Marks Pl (260-8480).

Funny Ladies–An all-female musical comedy improvisational revue, presented by the First Amendment. 1/25-2/23. Fri & Sat at 11. Theater 22, 54 W 22nd (986-9480).

Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein–The Gertrude Stein that emerges is, unlike the title, far from triple—only a third. She is less formidable, much more easygoing than the original. The comedienne Pat Carroll plays her heroine with verve, variety, and finesse, but Marty Martin's monodrama simplifies, falsifies, and vulgarizes the life and times and works of Ms. Stein. Tues thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3 & 7. Provincetown Playhouse, 133 MacDougal St (777-2571).

A Goldfaden Dream–Yiddish musical described as pure folk art, taken from the writings and plays of Abraham Goldfaden. Sat at 8; Sun at 2 & 5:30. Thru 3/16. Folksbiene Playhouse, 123 E 55th (755-2231).

The Guardsman–Ferenc Molnar's classic, directed by John Roach, with Eric Tavaris and Lillie Robertson. Wed thru Sun at 8; Sat at 7; Sun at 3. Thru 2/10. Playhouse 46, 423 W 46th (246-7277).

Head Shots–Improvisationally developed play explores the relationships of six aspiring actresses. Sun thru Wed at 7:30. Thru 2/3. 18th St Plyhse, 145 W 18th (499-4685).

Hit Tunes From Flop Shows–75 years of great music from Broadway's biggest turkeys, directed by Vincent Napoli. Fri & Sat at 8; Sun at 7:30. Thru 2/3. Ward-Masse Gallery, 131 Prince St (242-3900).

Hughie–Revival of one of Eugene O'Neill's last works, set in the lobby of a seedy Times Square hotel. Mon & Tues at 8. Thru 2/5. Hudson Guild, 441 W 26 St (760-9847).

Ice Game–Valerie Harris's play set in a frozen wasteland peopled with characters drawn from the mystical Tarot. Directed by Stephen D. Agins 1/24-2/7. Leonard Davis Center, 134th & Convent (690-4100).

I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking it on the Road–The Cryer/Ford musical, directed by Word Baker with Gretchen Cryer and George Hosmer. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3 & 7. Circle in the Square Downtown, 159 Bleecker St (254-6330).

The Increased Difficulty of Concentration–By Waclev Havel, directed by Lois Alexander. 1/24-28 at 8. 1/26 at 2; 1/27 at 5. Free. NYU School of the Arts, 111 Second Ave (598-2404).

Jean Cocteau Repertory–Victor Hugo's *Ruy Blas.* Tennessee Williams's *Kirche, Kutchen, Und Kinder.* Bouwerie Lane Theater, 330 Bowery (677-0060).

Journey's End–R.C. Sherriff's play, directed by Ron Daley, about five English officers in a trench in World War I. Thurs thru Sun at 8. Thru 2/3. Classic Theater, 114 W 14th (242-3900).

King David & His Wives–David Pinski's Yiddish classic, with music and dance. Thurs & Sat at 8; Sun at 2 & 7. Thru 1/27. 92nd St Y, 1395 Lexington Ave (427-4410).

Lewlulu–A comedy by Pedro Juan Pietri satirizing aspects of contemporary society. Directed by Jose Ferrer. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 4. Thru 2/3. INTAR, 420 W 42nd (279-4200).

Liliom–Revival of the Ferenc Molnar play, starring Ron Guttman and Charles Gordone; directed by Franz Harland. 1/24-26 at 8; 1/27 at 3. AMDA Studio, 2109 Bdway (924-5451).

Look Back in Anger–Revival of John Osborne's drama. Thurs thru Sat at 8. Thru 1/26. Hartley House, 413 W 46th (246-9885).

Marie & Bruce–Louise Lasser and Bob Balaban in a play by Wallace Shawn, described as a tragicomedy about miserable love in the contemporary world. Directed by Wilford Leach. Public/Newman Theater, 425 Lafayette St (598-7150).

The Matchmaker–Revival of Thornton Wilder's farce, directed by Don Marlette, with Carol Rosenfeld and Lloyd Harris. Wed, Thurs, Sat at 8; Sun at 2. 1/23-2/17. Jewish Repertory Theater, 344 E 14th St (674-7200).

Mecca–A.E. Whitehead's play, about a clash between the Moslem and the Western worlds, directed by Kevin Conway. Tues thru Sat at 7:30; Sun at 3. 1/29-2/17. Quaigh Theater, Hotel Diplomat, 108 W 43rd (221-9088).

A Millionaire in Trouble–Yiddish musical about an Israeli seeking to make his way in the U.S. Town Hall, 123 W 43rd (921-9442).

Modigliani–Dennis McIntyre's play about the most dazzling of the *peintres maudits* is never boring, and there are moments of etchingly sardonic humor as well as of richly impasted passion. Allen T. Belknap directs, and his and McIntyre's violence is believable and moving. Jeffrey De Munn in the title role would be perfect but for a jarringly excessive Italian accent. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3 & 7:30. Astor Pl Theater, 434 Lafayette St (254-4370).

Monsieur Amilcar–New French play by Yves Jamiaque that deals with the intricacies of human relationships. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2:30; Sun at 3. Thru 2/17. Chelsea Theater, 407 W 43rd (541-8616).

A Month in the Country–Turgenev's human comedy, starring Tammy Grimes, and directed by Michael Kahn; with Farley Granger, Jerome Kilty, Philip Bosco, and Amanda Plummer. Tues thru Sat at 8;

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My Mother, My Father, and Me–Revival of Lillian Hellman's attack on the values of a society gone mad buying and consuming; directed by Douglas Johnson. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 1/27. WPA Theater, 138 Fifth Ave (691-2274).

Negro Ensemble Company–*Lagrima del Diablo (The Devil's Tear)*, by Dan Owens, a drama about a mythical island somewhere in the Western Hemisphere. With Barbara Montgomery, Adolph Caesar, Graham Brown, and Leon Morenzie. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 3:30 & 8:30; Sun at 2:30 & 7. Thru 2/3. St Marks Plyhse, 133 Second Ave (OR 4-3530).

One Mo' Time–A new musical, conceived and directed by Vernel Bagneris, features Sylvia Williams, Thais Clark, Topsy Chapman, John Stell, and Bagneris, with music performed onstage by the New Orleans Blue Serenaders. Tues thru Fri at 8; Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3 & 7:30. Village Gate, Bleecker & Thompson (475-5120).

One Wedding, Two Rooms, Three Friends–Three one-acters by the Welsh author John Gwilym Jones. Tues thru Sun at 7:30. Sun at 3. Thru 2/3. Manhattan Theatre Club, 321 E 73rd (472-0600).

Paris Lights–Musical theater piece using the poetry of various American poets and excerpts from prose writers of the period. Directed by George Ferencz. American Place Theater, 111 W 46th (246-3730).

The Philanderer–George Bernard Shaw's play, directed by Andres Castro. Fri thru Sun at 8. Thru 3/30. West Side Rep, 252 W 81st (666-3521).

Point Judith–by Spalding Gray & Elizabeth LeCompte, multia-media theater piece about an American family. Thurs thru Sun at 8. Thru 3/9. Performing Garage, 33-35 Wooster St (966-3651).

The Rag and Bones Cafe–Improvisational, Gurdjieff-inspired satiric work. Thurs thru Sun at 8:30. 1/24-2/10. Shared Forms Theater, 17 White St (966-6479).

Repertorio Espanol–*La Casa de Bernardo Alba, Te Juro Juana Que Tengo Ganas, La Cucarachita Martina, Tango Para Tres,* and *La Celestina.* All plays in Spanish in rotating repertory. Thru February. Gramercy Arts Theater, 138 E 27th (889-2850).

Ricochet–Suspense play by Paul S. Nathan. Wed thru Sat at 8. 1/25, 26; 1/30, 2/2; 2/6-9, 13-16. Theatre Off Park, 28 E 35th (683-4991).

Ride a Red Horse–Joan Harvey's political drama, anti-war and anti-nuclear. Thurs thru Sat at 8. Truck & Warehouse Theater, 79 E 4th St (254-5060).

Romeo and Juliet–Dan Held directs the Shakespeare tragedy, starring Curtis Hostetter and Lydia Leeds. Tues thru Sun at 8; Sat & Sun at 2:30. Thru 1/27. Equity Library Theater, 103rd St & Riverside Drive (663-2028).

Say Goodnight, Gracie–A somewhat lachrymose comedy about the first generation of TV kids rudely awakened to the dim awareness that the time is no longer the fifties or sixties, and that they are no longer kids. Written by Ralph Pape and directed by Austin Pendleton. Mon thru Wed at 8; Fri & Sat at 7 & 10; Sun at 3. Actors Playhouse, 100 7th Ave So (691-6226).

Scrambled Feet–A kind of intimate musical revue that comprises both sublimely crazed and egregiously sane skits. The best performers are the co-authors, John Driver and Jeffrey Haddow (particularly the latter). Tues thru Fri at 8: Sat at 7 & 9:30; Sun at 3 & 7:30. Village Gate, 160 Bleecker St (982-9292).

78th St Lab Rep–Lanford Wilson's *The Great Nebula in Orion,* at 8. *Margaret's Bed* by William Inge, at 9; Tennessee Williams's *A Perfect Analysis Given by a Parrot,* at 10. All play Fri & Sat. 78th St Lab, 236 W 78th (595-0850).

Sheer Heaven–Spanish-language play about "waiting for something," conceived and directed by Eric Bogosian. 1/29, 30, at 8:30 & 10. The Kitchen Center, 59 Wooster (925-3615).

Snapshot–A new musical by Herb Kaplan and Mitchell Bernard, exploring a family's relationship; directed by David Heefner. Wed thru Sat at 8; Sat & Sun at 3. Thru 2/10. Hudson Guild, 441 W 26th (760-9847).

The Rainbow Room, *at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, offers Panama Francis and his Savoy Sultans making their first major appearance playing for dancing, January 29 through February 10. The band plays every night except Monday.*

Soho Rep–S.N. Behrman's *The Second Man,* 1/25 at 8:30; 1/26 at 7 & 10:30; 1/27 at 4. Soho Rep, 19 Mercer St (925-2588).

Sorrows of Stephen–A comedy by Peter Parnell about a young romantic and the women with whom he falls in love. If you have a taste for the slick trivia that the movies once dispensed so well, this elegantly mounted workshop production should prove your dish. Tues thru Sun at 8; Sat & Sun at 3. Public/Theater, 425 Lafayette St (598-7150).

Strictly Improv–Musical comedy revue, totally improvised, starring the First Amendment. Fri & Sat at 7:30. Thru 2/2. Cartune Alley Cabaret, 218 W 84th (725-2196).

Table Settings–Play by James Lapine about three generations of a contemporary Jewish Family. Wed thru Sat at 8; Wed & Tues at 2; Sun at 3. Playwrights Horizon, 416 W 42nd (279-4200) *Reviewed this week.*

Therese Raquin–Emile Zola's work, directed by John Farrell. Thurs thru Sat at 7:30; Sun at 3. Thru 2/3. NYTE, 62 E 4th St (477-4120).

13th St Repertory–*Three* by Israel Horovitz: *Line, The Indian Wants the Bronx,* and *It's Called the Sugar Plum.* Laurance Holder's *Zora: Whu.* Call theater for days and times. 50 West 13th Street (741-9282).

This Property Condemned–A new production of the Tennessee Williams play staged by the American Stanislavski Theater, directed by Sonia Moore, with Strindberg's *The Stronger* as curtain-raiser. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 2/10. Nameless Theater, 125 W 22nd (PL5-5120).

Three For All–Mario Fratti's *The Bridge;* Ferruccio di Cori's *They'll Find Their Way;* Tony Salerno's *Belle Femme.* Wed thru Sat at 8. Thru 1/26. American Theater, 314 W 54th (581-3044).

The Trouble With Europe–Paul D'Andrea's comedy about the energy crisis and the efforts of two secret agents to solve the problem. With Kristoffer Tabori and Perry King. From 1/24. Marymount Manhattan Theater, 221 E 71st (730-0794).

Troupe Rep–Dostoevsky's *Forgotten People,* upstairs, thru 2/9. GBS's *The Philanderer,* downstairs, thru 2/9. GBS's *The Doctor's Dilemma,* thru 2/20, downstairs. *The Phrase in Air,* life and poetry of Edna St. Vincent Millay, thru 2/12, upstairs. Call theater for specifics. Troupe, 335 W 39th (244-9699).

Vanities–Three girls from Texas grow old but not up. Jack Heifner's attractive and nicely observed play covers familiar ground *(The Group, Grease, etc.),* but Garland Wright's coiled-spring direction of a three-member cast gives the work cogency and wit. Tues thru Sat at 8:30; mats Wed & Sat at 2:30; Sun at 3. Westside Theatre, 407 W. 43rd St (541-8394).

The Woman With Red Hair–Psychological thriller by Sam Locke and Paul Roberts. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 2/3. Apple Corps, 601 W 51st (560-8201).

Yeats/Trio–Three one-acters by W.B.Yeats: *The King of the Great Clock Tower; The Dreaming of the Bones; The Cat and the Moon;* directed by James W. Flannery. Thurs thru Sat at 8; Sun at 3. Thru 2/10. The Open Space, 64 Wooster St (966-3729).

MISCELLANY

Das Lusitania Songspiel–Parody of a musical cabaret performed by Sigourney *(Alien)* Weaver and Christopher Durang. Wed thru Sat at 11. Vanities Theater, 407 W 43rd (541-8394) *Reviewed this week.*

A Kurt Weill Cabaret, with Martha Schlamme and Alvin Epstein. Fri & Sat at 10:30; Sun & Mon at 8. Bijou, 209 W 45th (221-8500).

Mummenschanz–Mime troupe. Tues thru Sat at 8; Wed & Sat at 2; Sun at 3. Bijou, Bdway at 45th (221-8500).

New York Experience–Multi-screen spectacle of New York, past and present. Mon thru Thurs, 11 am to 7; Fri & Sat, 11 to 8; Sun, noon to 8. McGraw-Hill Bldg, 6th nr 48th (869-0345).

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs–Musical starring Mary Jo Salerno with all the original music and lyrics from the Disney film. Phone theater for times. Thru 3/8. Radio City Music Hall, 6th Ave & 50th (977-9020).

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After Dark

NIGHTCLUBS

Ambrosia–115 E 60th. Candle-lit art-deco restaurant, with pianist Keith Ingham playing old favorites nightly, Mon thru Sat. Closed Sundays (838-6662).

Applause–40th St & Lex. Restaurant club, with singer-pianist Ann Lebeaux holding forth Wed thru Sat from 8 (687-7267).

Aquarium Lounge–1115 Third Ave. Singer-pianist Hugh Shannon entertains Wed thru Sun, 9 thru 2 am (371-9090).

Barbizon Plaza Library–6th Ave, betw 58th & 59th. Lively discotheque, open Mon thru Fri, 4:30 to 3 am; Sat, 9 to 3 am; Sun, 8 to 2 am (247-7000).

Cachaca–403 E 62nd. Dining room, plus dancing to authentic Brazilian pop music, with singer and trio after 11. Before 11 and between sets, American and Brazilian disco and carnaval music. Open nightly except Mondays, from 8 to 4 am (688-8501).

Cafe Ziegfeld–227 W 45th. Jazz pianist Hank Jones (musical conductor for "Ain't Misbehavin'," across the street from the cafe) entertains Tues thru Sat, 10:30 until 1 am (840-2964).

Catch a Rising Star–1487 1st Ave. Continuous entertainment by comics and singers Tues thru Sun, with steadies Kelly Rogers and David Sayh (794-1906).

Chateau Madrid–48th & Lexington. Thru 1/20, Takeuchi Keigo & his Oriental Extravaganza, twice nightly (9:30 & midnight) and three times Sat, at 8:30, 11:30 & 1 am. From 1/22, song stylist Rhina Ramirez & the Dance Dimensions. Closed Mondays (752-8080).

Chelsea Upstairs–407 W 43rd. 1/24, 25, 2/1, 2, 8, 9, Serious Bizness. 1/24, 31, Jonathan Hadary. 1/28, Fred Sanders (541-8394).

Club Ibis–151 E 50th. Continental restaurant with exotic decor. A revue, *Las Vegas to New York,* twice nightly, thrice Sat (753-3884).

Comic Strip–1568 Second Ave. Restaurant, comedy spot with improvisational entertainment. Tues thru Fri, the fun starts at 9; Sat at 9 & 12:15 (861-9386).

Copacabana–10 E 60th. Disco and cabaret Fri & Sat from 10 to 4. Wednesdays, big band orchestras, from 9 (755-6010).

Dangerfield–1111 First Ave. Mon thru Sat, thru 2/5, the boss, Rodney, is on hand. Sun, talent show (593-1650).

Duplex–55 Grove St. Cabaret/piano bar. 1/26, Karen Mason. 1/28, Hayes & Reidman. (243-9306).

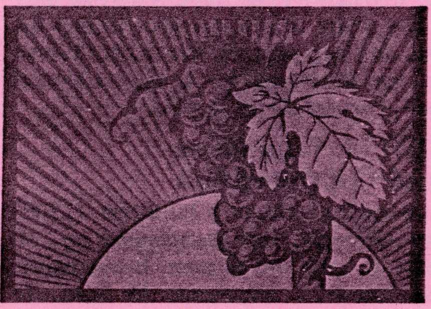
Seventeen unlikely drugs to keep you happy, healthy, and sane.

Better Living Through Chemistry

BY CHARLES PANATI

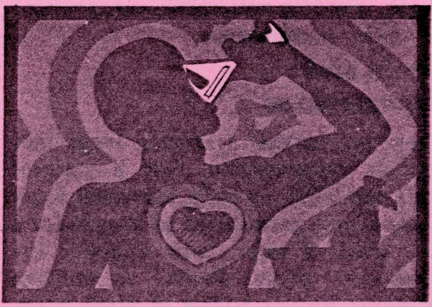
Grapes for the Flu And Other Viruses

Viruses, which seem immune to most drugs, succumb to grape juice and wine. Testing the old wives' tale that wine combats the common cold, Canadian scientists in 1977 added red and white wine and grape juice to cell cultures of several viral strains; all were inactivated by the beverages, with polio virus the most severely affected. Purple-grape juice proved the most effective killer, followed by a lethal Burgundy, then a moderately fatal Chablis. (No rosé was tested.) Scientists are still attempting to determine whether the beverages are as potent against viruses in our bodies. They suspect that tiny molecules (called phenols) from grapes bind to the surface of a virus and prevent it from invading healthy cells. More phenols exist in the skin of grapes than in the pulp, so if the phenol hypothesis turns out to be accurate, the natural flu remedy might be to eat grapes rather than drink their juice.



Alcohol for Your Heart

Evidence is accumulating that liquor—no more than three "drinks" a day—may significantly decrease your risk of a heart attack. A group of California researchers have even suggested that "abstinence from alcohol may be a new risk factor" in developing heart disease. After allowing for such proven risk factors as age, obesity, hypertension, smoking, and high blood cholesterol, several recent studies have concluded that moderate drinkers experience about 30 percent fewer heart attacks than teetotalers—they also have lower blood pressure than both total abstainers and heavy drinkers. Surprisingly enough, drinkers-turned-teetotalers run the highest risk of heart attacks. While a drink can relax you after a stressful day's work, there appears to be a physiological reason for alcohol's miraculous properties: In the blood, alcohol seems to increase your body's production of the kind of lipoprotein molecules that transport cholesterol out of the body. A "drink," defined by nutritionists, is a 1-ounce jigger of 80-proof spirits, a 3.5-ounce glass of wine, a 12-ounce mug of light European beer, or a 10-ounce mug of American beer.



Aspirin for Your Whole Body

While aspirin relieves pain and palliates the symptoms of a cold, a pill or two a day can lessen the chance of a *second* heart attack by facilitating circulation. Evidence for the heart claim comes from examining hospital records of thousands of patients; those taking aspirin regularly were less prone to another heart attack. A bigger question remains to be answered. Can daily aspirin prevent a *first* heart attack? Four five-grain aspirin daily also lessen the chance of a stroke in men who show signs of insufficient blood supply to the brain. Women, however, do not react as strongly to the anticoagulatory action of aspirin. Of course, too much aspirin can lead to internal bleeding and damage to the kidneys and liver; women who take excessive amounts during pregnancy may give birth to children plagued with hypertension and the risk of heart failure early in life.

Marijuana For Nausea

The nausea and vomiting that follow chemotherapy drive many cancer patients to refuse treatment. Compazine is mildly effective in relieving the symptoms, but THC, the hallucinogenic ingredient in marijuana, has shown great promise in hospital tests. However, use of THC has progressed slowly because of the drug's illegal status and because many critics object to the dreamy euphoria it produces in patients. But a new drug, Nabilone, by Eli Lilly and Company, appears to be as potent as THC in combating nausea and vomiting, without inducing euphoria. After three years of clinical tests on cancer patients, the drug's only side effects are drowsiness, a parched mouth, and minor loss of coordination. It should be commercially available in 1981. While marijuana also reduces eye pressure in patients with glaucoma, a major cause of blindness, it is not yet known whether Nabilone does the same.

Heroin for Pain in Cancer

Over half of all cancer patients suffer agonizing pain toward the end of their illness. Doctors at Sloan-Kettering have tested morphine on terminal cancer pa-

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Illustrated by Leslie Cabarga.

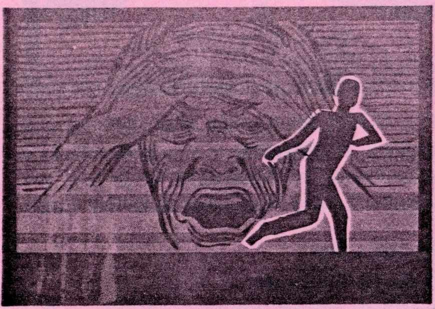
The two-way pill: conquers impotence, provides contraception.

tients and claim that it works in 95 percent of the cases. They extended their experimental program in 1978 to include heroin and are already finding that it's a better painkiller. Since heroin is a more powerful drug, it is faster-acting and can be given in smaller doses and administered more frequently, thereby providing longer periods of pain relief. The final tests with heroin should be completed this year, and soon the pain from terminal cancer may be routinely treated with this narcotic.

B-15: Not Just A Placebo

No B-15-deficiency disease has yet been identified, so the substance cannot be named a vitamin. And there are no U.S. studies to back the claims that B-15 (pangamic acid) fights fatigue and cures addictions. But B-15 appears to be more than an expensive placebo. Glenn Shue, an FDA nutritionist who surveyed the extensive Soviet studies on B-15 dating back to 1965, says, "B-15 seems to have a very real effect. I am convinced of that. . . . There seems to be evidence that it would be useful as a drug for certain conditions where the body is not able to get enough oxygen." If this means it will help asthmatics, sufferers of emphysema, fatigued executives, or exhausted athletes, the FDA won't specify. But tests are under way at several American universities in an attempt to duplicate the Soviet findings.

Propranolol for Migraine—and Fear



Propranolol is a drug which has recently been approved by the FDA for the treatment of migraines—and is probably the most effective such drug available. It deactivates the body's so-called beta receptors, tiny structures in the sympathetic nervous system that, among other things, cause arteries to dilate. (See page 34.) By blocking those receptors, propranolol presumably permits the arteries to constrict instead of expand, preventing a migraine. Its action as a beta-blocker endows it with another recently discovered function: It relieves the symptoms of fear. Propranolol blocks the body's use of adrenaline and thus prevents rapid heartbeat, cold chills, and sweating. It has been tested on musicians who suffered stage fright, yielding noticeable improvement in their performance.

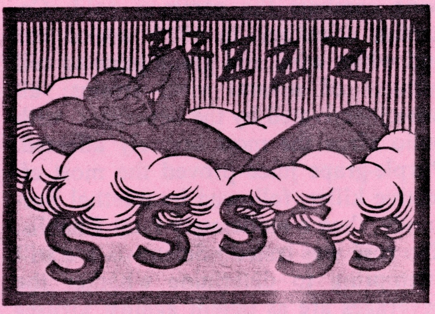
Renin and Hypertension

There are several synthetic drugs that combat hypertension, but a natural body chemical recently extracted from kidneys may provide the prototype for a new class of safer, more effective hypertension drugs. Renin, an enzyme produced by our bodies in small quantities, causes blood vessels to constrict, thus raising blood pressure. It's not entirely clear why certain people produce abnormally high amounts of renin, but stress, diet, and heredity are suspected as key factors. An inexpensive blood test is being developed to measure renin levels in the blood, providing doctors with a new method of evaluating a person's risk of heart attack or stroke. At the same time, researchers are developing chemicals that will directly inactivate renin in the blood and cure hypertension.

Interferon for Viruses and Cancer

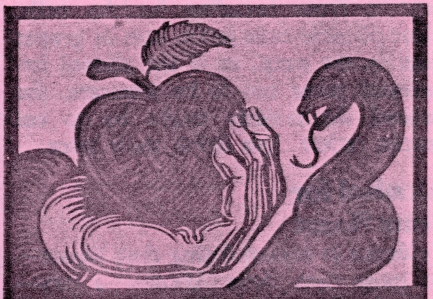
A natural substance extracted from white blood cells, called interferon, was discovered in 1957 and has been used to kill viruses in animals and experimentally to prevent flu and halt the spread of herpes infections in humans. Doctors have recently administered interferon to shrink advanced breast tumors and halt the spread of lymphatic cancer. Because it's a natural substance, it produces none of the debilitating side effects that accompany most anticancer drugs. Apparently, an injection of interferon fortifies a person's immune defenses, which in turn destroy malignancy. The American Cancer Society recently purchased $2-million worth of the substance—a millionth of an ounce costs about $1,500—and five cancer centers are testing it on their patients. If it proves to be effective—and if it can be synthesized inexpensively—doctors could one day prescribe interferon routinely for the elderly, reducing their risk of cancer (and all kinds of infections). It could also be administered over a lifetime to children whose family histories show they may have a propensity toward cancer.

S-Factor For Sleep



An insomniac's dream, this substance shows great promise in animal tests. Harvard researcher John Pappenheimer has extracted from the brains of goats what appears to be a sleep-promoting peptide, a small protein molecule. He forced the animals to remain awake for long periods of time so their brains would produce copious amounts of the sleep factor. When the peptide was extracted from the goat's spinal fluid and injected into rabbits that had only recently awakened, they fell back to sleep for unusually long times. It may be only a few years before scientists isolate the human sleep peptide, which could serve as the prototype for a generation of safe, natural sleeping pills.

LRH for Impotence And Contraception



Luteinizing releasing hormone (LRH) has different, but complementary, effects on men and women. It overcomes psychological impotence in men. In one British study, young men whose sexual development had lagged because of brain tumors and middle-aged men who suffered chronic bouts of impotence were restored to sexual vigor by injections of the drug. In a modified form, LRH acts as a contraceptive when inhaled by women. Swedish researchers at the University Hospital of Uppsala found that in daily doses the natural chemical inhibits ovulation by curtailing the secretion of other hormones essential for the release of eggs. Of 27 women who sniffed the drug, only

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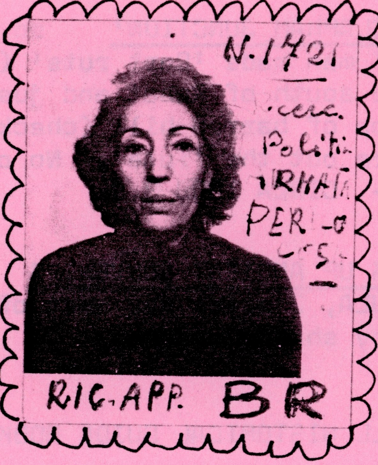
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BY: CHIZZLEFLINT

WHERE TO SEE MANKINDS OLDEST STRUCTURES:

1. OLDEST: SKORBA in Zebbieh, 2½ miles south of Mellieha behind building marked 'Farmer's Co-Operative Union'. Cross small field to fenced enclosure (hole in S.E. corner) ... CIRCA 3600 - 4000 B.C. ... small but heavy.

2. MOST IMPRESSIVE: A toss up between:-

   1. HAGAR QIM and MNAJDRA - take road south-east Rabat, marked 'Siggiewi', then follow signs marked 'Blue Grotto' (well marked and well worth the trip in itself, but on calm sea days. One mile before Grotto take road on right up hill (you'll see Temple from highway). Beautiful view of Filfla Island and South Coast. CIRCA 2400 B.C.

      MNAJDRA just S.W. 600 yards.

   2. HAL SAFLIENI HYPOGEUM: in Paola, 3 miles south of Valletta. 400 yards south of Main Square, (well marked) called Malta's most important monument, a hugh subterranean sanctuary. Check out the 'Oracle Niche'. CIRCA 2400 B.C.

3. MOST ARTISTIC DETAIL: TARXIEN. 400 yards east of the Hypogeum, on Tarxien Road. Many carved details on stones. Hugh half-Goddess. CIRCA 2200 - 2400 B.C.

   MOST PRIMITIVE: TA-HAGRAT in MGARR 1 miles west of Skorba, 1 block south of Boys School on Main Road. If gate is locked, get key from Police Station opposite main Church, centre of Mgarr. CIRCA 2400 B.C.

4. MOST CONFUSING: 'CLAPHAM JUNCTION' so called because of proliferation of man made 'Cart ruts' (not really ruts). 2 miles due south of Rabat and just south of Buckett Gardens, top of barren hill (check out the Gardens) then figure out the 'ruts'. No one else has. Bronze age - CIRCA 1000 B.C.

5. BEST CHANCE TO PICK UP ANCIENT SOUVENIRS Top of hills on BAHRIJA PENNINSULA, 3 miles due west of Rabat. Bronze age. Pottery shards around.

P.S. IN ALL CASES A SMALL HISTORICAL GUIDE BOOK IS MOST HELPFUL. I USE.. SEE MALTA AND GOZO (FORMAT) AND .. MALTA AN ARCHAEOLIGICAL GUIDE (FABER). Also, strong shoes and check out the NATIONAL MUSEUM in VALLETTA.

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NOW HERE'S THIS WEEKS HELPFUL HOUSE HOLD HINT.

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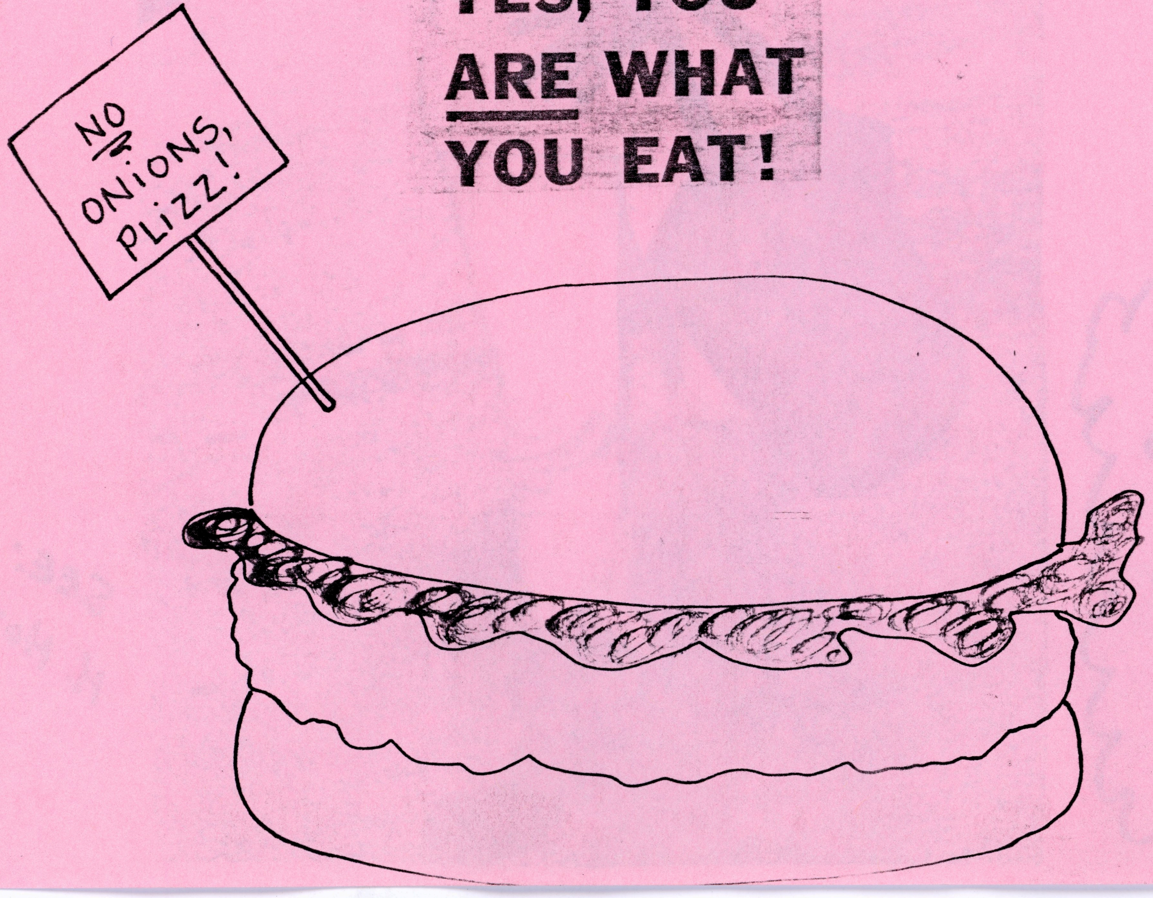
FOR THESE FOODS THE SAFEST DISTANCE WOULD BE CONGO!

YES, YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT!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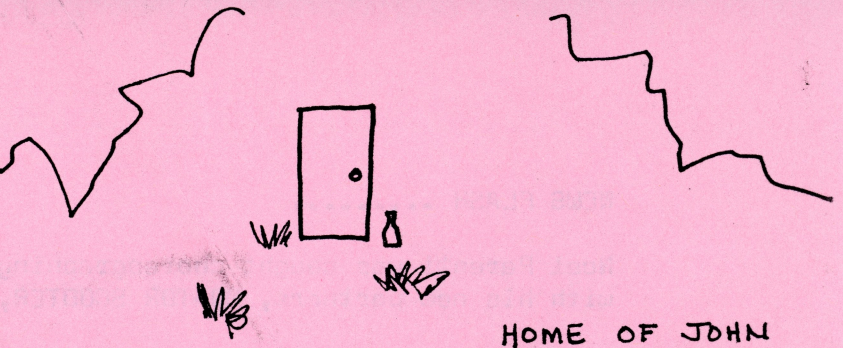

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NEWS FROM THE HOLLY-WOODS

HOME OF JOHN
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Words out from the STEINETTES CAMP... that they have just signed with YOSHIMIRA HORDWITZ for a collective starring role in the 1982 HALLOWEEN release of......

'GODZILLA GOES STEINETTES'

It seems the plot finds our four 'innocent American Girls' signing their way through Japan. When they come across a hostile reptile who attacks them. The girls, having nothing for their defense, start to sing a lullaby,which soothes the savage beast. Then when they have GODZILLA completely lulled, the STEINETTES break into various forms of KUNG FU, JU JITZU, KARATI, and JEWISH GIBBERISH (in harmony) - thus GODZILLA awakes and asks them to accompany him to a kinky S & M party, ... leaving them all skipping down the road towards Tokyo.

Revolt of the actresses?

JACK SPRATT COULD EAT NO FAT, HIS WIFE could eat no lean, as the nursery rhyme goes, but it's working in reverse for Paul L. Smith and Shelley Duvall on the "Popeye" pic location in Malta. Smith has to keep his poundage up for his "Bluto" role while Shelly has to stay toothpick thin for her "Olive Oyle" role. But between them, they wipe the platters clean at breakfast and lunch with Shelley slipping him her untouched food to double his gorging pleasure. . . . FILMLORE QUIZ: What was the late James Dean's real name? (answer below). . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Dane Clark, Sam Peckinpah, Rue McClanahan, Jimmy Randolph, Tyne Daly, Julia Benjamin, Selene Walters, Richard Beymer, Fran Allison and Gary Lockwood. . . . Film Ventures International honcho Ed Montoro, looking for an easy total of $30 million gross from his two current pic releases, "Kill or Be Killed" and "The Fifth Floor," has decided on a sequel not only for the former, but for the latter (to be titled "The Sixth Floor"?). . . . Stefano Angelo Falk's been commissioned to paint a portrait of Michelangelo for hanging in the main dining room of Vito's Michelangelo Ristorante in BevHills. Believe it or not, there is no existing portrait of the famed artist, so Falk wants Charlton Heston, familiar to millions with his pic portrayal of the artist, to pose it for him. Of course, there'll always be some wise guy who'll point at the painting and say, "Hey, isn't that Moses?" . . . FILMLORE ANSWER: Believe it, the late James Dean's real name was James Byron, a name most actors would have changed their names to — not from!

IN SLIEMA

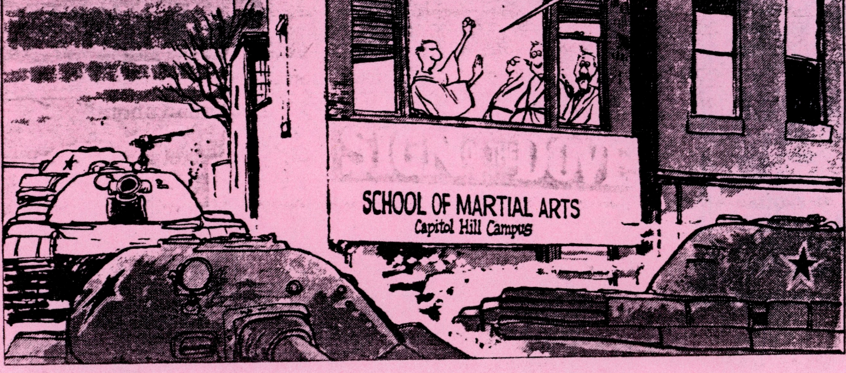
ALHAMBRA Dial 513463
Faye Dunaway,
Tommy Lee Jones in
THE EYES OF LAURA MARS
(16)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 p.m.
Today's late night show at 11
THE BOYS FROM BRAZIL (16)
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release

MAJESTIC Dial 513368
First run in Malta
Alan Bates, Suzannah York in
THE SHOUT (16)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 pm
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release
Today's late night show at 11
THE PROFESSIONAL KILLERS
(18)

PLAZA Dial 513508
Today's matinee at 10
CHAPLIN'S ART OF COMEDY
(U)
Charles Bronson, Lee Remick in
TELEFON (16)
at 2, 4.15, 6.30, 8.45 pm
KRS Film Distributors Ltd. release

IN HAMRUN

RADIO CITY Dial 626014
YELLOW EMMANUELLE (18)
at 2 pm only
Miracle Film release
From 6 pm onwards
DISCO DANCE


Okay, boys, we'd better pick up the pace a little...
SCHOOL OF MARTIAL ARTS
Capitol Hill Campus
MAC NELLY—RICHMOND NEWS LEADER

NEWS FLASH ....

Noel Parenti was caught choreographing a great new dance Thursday morning with his new partners, MO-TOR SCOOTER, MALTESE ASPHALT, and DEISEL SLICK.

In speaking with Noel he mentioned:

> 'It's a little trickey keeping the sinkopation with his elbow and knee, not to mention keeping the taps clean and clear ....'

MOTORISTS .... BEWARE OF DEISEL SLICKS.

* * *

PAUL SMITH, PETER BRAY, JOHN BRISTOL and DONOVAN SCOTT have just signed a package deal.

'THE THREE VIK - A - TEERS'

A multi thousand dollar Viking War Epic. It seems the viking honor has been challenged by a 'French Queen', played by Robin Williams and three mighty warriors have been chosen to capture HIM - ah - HER and bring HER - ah - HIM.HER back to sit trial, the three vikings incounter many traps the Queen has set along the way.

DONOVAN SCOTT plays their side kick who constantly trys to prove to the three he is capable of handling anything they can, except; DANGER, he always seems to work his way around DANGER. DONOVAN figures out a plan to enter the Queens strong hold. The three VIK-A-TEERS agree, so they enter as a traveling minstrel show, tap dancing their way into the Queens camp.

It doesn't work .... they are captured and forced to study what...!! BALLET for the rest of their days.

The dance instructor Camio will be played by VALERIE VALARDI

(There's talk there will be a sequel to determine their fate)!

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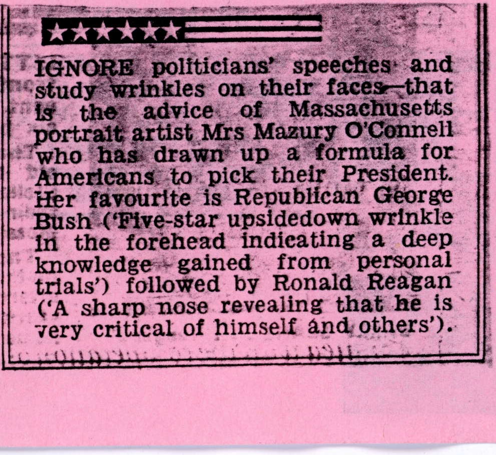
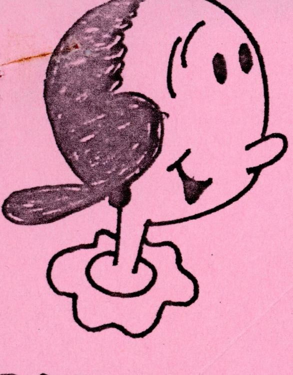


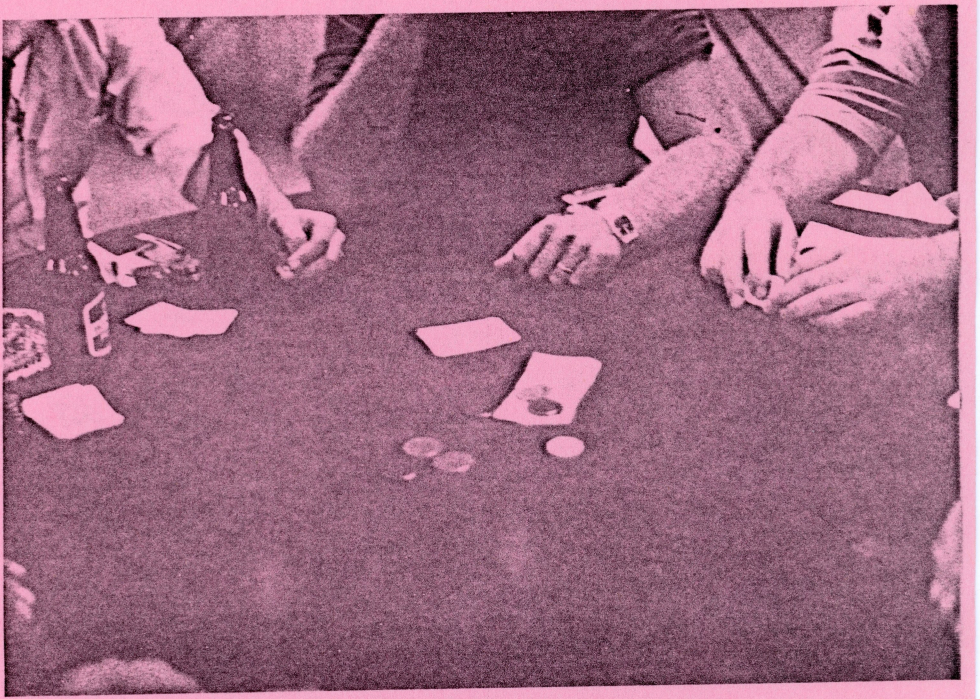
IGNORE politicians' speeches and study wrinkles on their faces—that is the advice of Massachusetts portrait artist Mrs Mazury O'Connell who has drawn up a formula for Americans to pick their President. Her favourite is Republican George Bush ('Five-star upsidedown wrinkle in the forehead indicating a deep knowledge gained from personal trials') followed by Ronald Reagan ('A sharp nose revealing that he is very critical of himself and others').



THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

TUESDAYS EQUALS THURSDAYS, SO U O ME.........

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, WE WERE THERE!



CAN YOU TELL WHO'S WINNING?

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID YOU KNOW....

- THAT MANY A CARD WAS DECKED IN THIS GAME ⟶
- THAT MANY VIRTUES WERE CAST TO THE MALTESE WIND ON SATURDAY NIGHT!?!
- THAT THE STEINETTES GAVE GOOD HEAD TONES IN THE STUDIO THE OTHER NIGHT!? WHO GOT THEM?
- THAT JULES FEIFFER HAD A BIRTHDAY SATURDAY?- IF NOT, YOU MUST'VE BEEN PRET-TY PISSED. (HE SUFFERED AT LEAST 10 SEPARATE COURSES OF SONG.)
- THAT GIANCARLO DICE "I KEEL YOU EEF YOU GO EEN SUN!" (BETTER DEAD THAN RED.)
- THAT FALCONETTES ARE SEEING SPARROWS?-(IT'S UNDERCOVER WORK.)
- THAT JUST ABOUT EVERYONE IS SOME KIND OF BIRD.
- THAT SCOOTERS ARE IN, IF YOU LIVE AT THE HOLIDAY CENTER.
- THAT VON SCHNITZEL IS AN EXISTENTIALIST?
- THAT V.D.P. GOT "THE WORKS" IN THE CHAIR AT FINKELSNIP'S?
- THAT D.S. MAKES THE BEST __________ THAT ANYONE CAN EAT?!
- THAT CAP'N BOB..... NEVER MIND!
- THAT JULES IS LEAVING MONDAY FOR A DINNER AT ELAINE'S (AND SOME FRESH AIR) IN N.Y.C.!
- THAT DAVID LEVY'S MAIN SQUEEZE CAME IN ON A BREEZE THIS WEEK. HE CERTAINLY LOOKS A LOT BETTER!

A real hot lot

IF SHE'S head over slippers in love, you can't tell the grandmother who's having an affair with a 17-year-old boy where she's going wrong.

Only time will tell that. And when she's 70, and he's still only 43, it won't put it nicely.

Clever clocks

SCIENTISTS in America have developed an atomic clock that is accurate to one second over three million years.

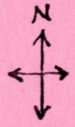
GENERAL CONSENSUS

BETTER TOILET FACILITIES ON SET.
BETTER PARKING ARRANGEMENTS AT THE HOLIDAY CENTER. (OR LEG TRANSPLANTS)
HOTTER WATER.
HOTTER WEDDER.
16 TRACKS IN THE STUDIO.
GINSENG FOR ALL.
YOU NAME IT.
KITCHEN SINK.

The MALTA ROCK SCENE

by

WATT BULXXIT



★★★★ WHAT'S HAPPENING IN R. & B. (ROCKS AND BOULDERS)

★ THERE'S A REAL BIG ROCK IN THE ROAD ON THE WAY TO RABAT. WATCH OUT FOR IT.

★ SEVERAL BOULDERS HAVE BLOCKED THE PATH TO THE BEACH AT BUGIBBA. CAREFUL BATHERS.

★ ROLLING STONES YOUR CUP OF TEA? TAKE A TRIP DOWN CALYPSO'S CAVE ON GOZO. RECENT RAINS HAVE LOOSENED THE CEILING THERE.

★★ ED. NOTE: NEXT WEEK I'LL DISCUSS WHICH ROCKS ARE BEST FOR BUILDING WALLS (HINT: DON'T USE THE ONES ON CAMINO --- THAT'S PUNK ROCK.

Bye-Bye
Watt Bulxxit.

LESSON FROM 'THE ROCK'

Cool customer

A TORTOISE hibernating in an old fridge slept through a storeroom blaze yesterday at the Mermaid Inn at Christian Malford, Wilts.

String bag

PEOPLE began searching their attics after two precious Stradivarius violins were discovered in Skopje, Yugoslavia . . . and now four more have turned up.

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RABBI GROSBARD GROSBEAK SEZ: "UY ASK?"

RAIDED: New York's first drug supermarket, offering five different grades of pot ranging from 'home grown' for £5 an ounce to 'Thai Stickless' at £100 an ounce. Offering a dial-a-weed service, customers could order by phone and get their goods delivered. Free of charge, of course.

YOUR COCKNEY LESSON

BUSHEL & PECK = NECK
I SUPPOSE = NOSE
MONKEYS TAILS = NAILS
BUTCHERS HOOK = LOOK
KIDNEY PUNCH = LUNCH
GERMAN BANDS = HANDS
BOAT RACE = FACE
LILLIAN GISH = FISH
NEWINGTON BUTTS = GUTS
BARNET FAIR = HAIR

A DAD AT LAST.. IT'S QUADS!

THIS COULD BE YOU, V. D. P. "THE MALTESE QUADS"

THE FALCONS RAIDED THE ARCHES LAST WEEK & NOW HAVE AN ESPRESSO MACHINE IN THE CONTROL ROOM.

'All I want really is love and a nice bit of fish'

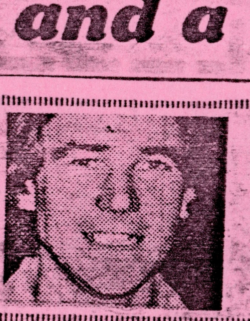
—J. W. W.

STAR ON THE RIGHT TRACK

● WENDY CLARKE likes to look feminine when she runs. "I always wear gold ear-rings, bracelet, watch and a chain round my neck," she says.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

A fool's mouth is his destruction.—OLD TESTAMENT.



BARRY SHEENE is on holiday. His column will be back soon.

TODAY'S ITALIAN

MACHINARA DESTRA (CAMERA RIGHT)
MACHINARA SINISTRA (CAMERA LEFT)

WEATHER FORECAST:

A wee Breeze is expected

NEW RELEASE FROM "STEINETTES"

DO-DO

AMUSEMENT GUIDE

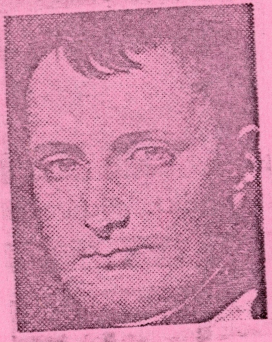
HOW MANY CALIFORNIANS DOES IT TAKE TO SCREW IN A LIGHT BULB?
ANS: 4 - 1 TO SCREW IT IN, AND 3 TO SHARE THE EXPERIENCE.

OGNIR RRATS

THE HUNT FOR THE WORLD'S LONGEST LIZARD

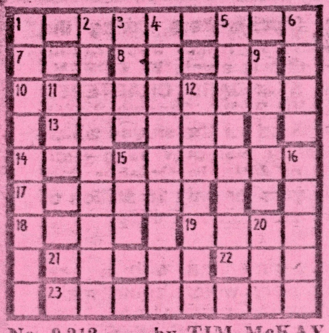
↑
(CONTEST COMING SOON)

SPACE FOR DOODLING



WHO ARE THESE MEN? AND WHAT DO THEY HAVE IN COMMON?

THE SMALL CROSSWORD



No. 9,212 . . . by TIM McKAY

Across

1. Surprise termination. (6, 3)
7. Consume or expend. (3)
8. Tests. (5)
10. Decided supporter. (5, 4)
13. Disorder. (6)
14. Making a decision. (9)
17. Type of dog. (6)
18. Noisy. (4)
19. Regulation. (4)
21. Granite, perhaps. (5)
22. Ocean. (3)
23. Sharkskin. (8)

Down

1. Sweetmeat. (5-4)
2. One part of the United States. (4, 5)
3. Expensive. (4)
4. Praising. (9)
5. Veteran. (8)
6. Pickpockets. (4)
9. Slope. (5)
11. Regret. (3)
12. He talks nonsense. (8)
15. Unusual. (3)
16. Gather in small quantities. (5)
20. American general. (3)

← WHAT'S THIS MAN DOING TO THIS POOR GOIL?
AND WHY IS HE SMILING?
AND WHY IS SHE SMILING?

Hamburger cruise ship held

by Rob Rohrer

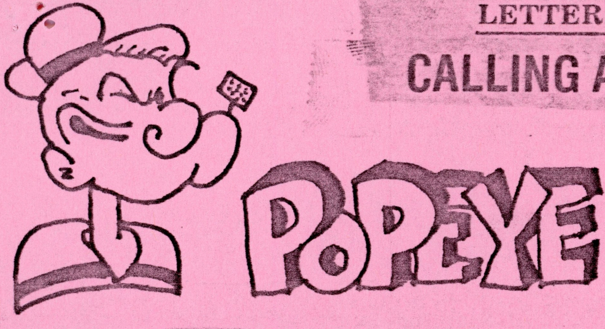
LA PERLA, the cruise ship that served hamburgers for Christmas dinner, was arrested yesterday by the Admiralty mashal on its return to Liverpool from the Mediterranean. The ship's detention follows legal action against the Greek owner by its charterer, the Merseyside-based Cruise Club.

A further voyage to Spain and Portugal due to start last night was cancelled and 400 passengers were told their money—£200 to £700 a head—would be refunded.

When the 11,000-ton ship hit trouble on the Christmas trip, 62 angry passengers flew home. Hundreds of other passengers complained to the cruise organisers about their hamburger Christmas dinner, cramped conditions and rationed water. There were even complaints that the ship was listing.

As La Perla returned with 600 holidaymakers at the end of a cruise yesterday, customs men fixed two copies of a detention order to the mast, on which they chalked a drawing of an anchor secured by rope. "We acted for the Admiralty marshal, but it is a civil matter," said a customs official.

The cruise organiser, Colin Wright, said: "The action has been taken for the protection of passengers on future cruises."



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CALLING A SPADE A SPADE

KUDOS TO THE FALCONETTES!
FALCONETTES RULE!
(AND ENJOY IT).

Sir Harry cries over spilt beans

Bald is beautiful

ONE TONGUE IS ENOUGH FOR A WOMAN

McCARTNEY SEZ: "I'LL NEVER SMOKE POT AGAIN."
LINDA SEZ: "PRAY FOR ME & THE KIDS."
JAPAN SEZ: "ALL WINGS SONGS ARE BANNED."
NOW THAT'S A BOGART!

"FALCONEWS HAR FOLDED!! DUE TO UNFAIR COMPETITION (UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE)." HARRY N.

"WHOSE SIDE IS FEIFFER ON?" SAYS BOSS HARRY. "GREAT CAESAR'S GHOST."

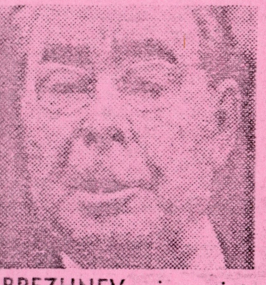
THE FALCON PLEDGE - "THE BATTLE MAY HAVE BEEN LOST, BUT THE WAR IS YET TO COME."

BETTER SOME THAN NONE!

They will not be forgiven for trimming their sails to every breeze which blows.

'It's all a dreadful shock'

VISION


BREZHNEV: viewpoint

THE Russian view of detente, already obscured by a passion for territorial expansion, may also be clouded by something much more basic . . . a chronic shortage of spectacles.

The Soviet Union needs about 28 million pairs a year, but produces only 20 million. That is bad enough, but lenses are already firmly fitted in the frames when they leave the factories.

So most Russians who manage to find a pair are expected to adapt their eyes to the wrong lenses.

Once back home, however, some of them smash the lenses and go back in the hope of getting their own prescription fitted in the frames.

The practice is so widespread the Moscow weekly Ogonick commented severely: "It is intolerable to produce glasses and expect citizens to adapt their eyes to them."

Moscow ministries insist that the shortage will be over by 1982.

TODAY'S LESSON: MONEY TALKS

VALERIE IS TOP TAX COLLECTOR

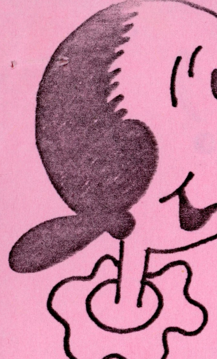
MARLON BRANDO, who is being paid £1,300,000 for 11 days' work on the film The Formula, has said that he will work two extra days for nothing if the producers will create an 'ecological' scene in which the avaricious tycoon he portrays rescues a drowning frog from a swimming pool. Isn't he sweet?

OHIO broadcaster Scott Miller, who has voluntarily confined himself in a single room at a local radio station to call attention to the plight of the Tehran hostages, yesterday announced that he was ending his ordeal. 'I can't handle it any more. I can't think. I'm a wreck.'

WE NEED HELP ON THIS PAPER! PLEASE SUBMIT ARTICLES OF INTEREST TO JEANETTE THRUSH BY FRIDAY P.M. EACH WEEK.

COCK ROBIN'S T.V. REVIEW: ITALY 2, MALTA NIL.

THERE ARE MORE SITUATIONS VACANT ON PAGES 8-20



THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

CARROTS
EQUAL
SPINACH

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, BLUTO DID IT!!

Carry On, Lions

RAIN, RAIN GO AWAY ....
THERE'S NOT MUCH ELSE TO SAY TODAY.

SPACE FOR DOODLING :↴

MRS. BYRNE'S LANGUAGE LESSON

EUTHYMIA - N. - MENTAL TRANQUILITY.
EXODUSTER - N. - ONE WHO LEAVES IN A HURRY.
CYNOPHOBIA - N. - FEAR OF DOGS.
CROTALINE - ADJ. - PERTAINING TO RATTLESNAKES.
BROOL - N. - A LOW ROAR; A DEEP MURMUR OR HUMMING.
BAXA - N. - A KIND OF SANDAL; A COMEDIAN'S SHOES.

FOUR TIMES ENGAGED IS FOUR TIMES MUCH!

FALCON DROPS (!)

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID YOU KNOW...?!

A LOT OF BUGIBBA PEOPLE GO TO VALETTA EVERY NIGHT!

JEANETTE THRUSH TOOK A VACATION LAST WEEK, BUT IS NOW BACK AGAIN TO TITTILATE YOUR IMAGINATION?

BRIDGET TERRY HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A BACK-UP SINGER - AND WAS (FINALLY) ON OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM?! SHOCKING!

WHO WAS TYPING IN A GREEN HAIRNET AND CLIPPIES FRIDAY NIGHT AT ONE A.M.?

THAT JULIE JANNEY HAS THE SPRING BLOOMIE'S CATALOG

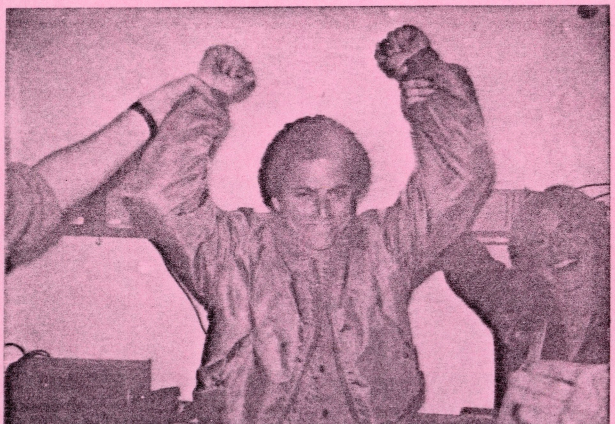
BOB EVANS IS BACK

WE'VE REACHED THE HALF-WAY MARK ON OUR SHOOTING SCHEDULE?! (MARCH 13)

"KINQUERING CONGS THEIR TITLES TAKE" - W.A. SPOONER 1844-1930

"THEY WHO SEE THE FLYING DUTCHMAN NEVER, NEVER REACH THE SHORE." - J. B. O'REILLY 1844-1890

oops!
SAM COH~~E~~N WILL ARRIVE TUESDAY, SANS TIE.



← BOBBY DAHLIN

SURPRISE VICTOR OF BACKGAMMON TOURNEY AND AN ESTIMATED 300 £M - THE LUCKY STIFF!

BOB ALTMAN - PHUI!

SCOTTY BUSHNELL - RATS!

WAYNE ROBSON - BINGO!

STEVE ALTMAN - (?**!!)

This and That. (Mostly That).

A letter to the Editor.

Dearest Madam,

Six weeks ago I was asked to write an Orbituary to the now departed Falcon News. It has taken me six weeks for two reasons. One, to learn how it was splelled (a slip of the tongue) and two, the time required to investigate the true story. And simple it is.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please be informed that the departure of that really splendid newspaper was but a kindly side-step by the men to allow the dear femenine creatures to come on through with their frivoulous yellow journalism, and indeed represents yet more evidence of that gallantry with which all men are so abundantly endowed.

(I do not speak of Chivalry, for the whole world knows that Chivalry is only practiced every other Tuesday, or when the moon is fuller than full) However. We, the former thinkers and poets of that very same newspaper have formed ourselves into a perhaps less well known but more meaningfull entity known as the Sweethaven Security Force, and, as the title implies, are perpetually, but perpetually, on the look-out for your well-being and safety, from wherever the dangers may come, North, South, East, West. But here a word of warning, we hav'nt quite fathomed out the points between, so please dont get caught out in the South-East or North-West etc etc, just for the moment, that is, we are beginning to get the hang of it.

Even so and in as much I was asked to write an Orbituary, then so I will. Despite my running tears.

The key word is of course "regret" and in as much as I regret the price of butter, I regret the shortage of oil, I regret the complete unreliability of women then even more so I regret the passing of the Falcon News.

I must pause now, dearest Madam, to dab my eyes.

Your's very truly,

Wilson D. Relish.

W-D Relish

(a slip of the pen)

P.S. The Perimeter Patrol of the SWEETHAVEN SECURITY FORCE has some quite surprising and occaisonnaly ominous case reports, so please watch these pages.

W.D.R.

This and That.(MostlyThat).

A letter to the Editor.

Dearest Madam,

A strange case. In my capacity as Marine Surveyor to the Black Pearl,I was astonished to hear sounds of sobbing in the bilges.

Knowing full well we needed no more water in the bilges, I hastened to ascertain the reason for this strange situation.

No names shall be mentioned,but there I found,alone,and i the darkness a male figure,hunched over and sobbing his heart out! I flatter myself I am a kindly man,so putting my arm across his shou I enquired.."what ails thee lad..?" and "why do you weep so..?" Proffessionally I thought.."what the hell..water we dont need. Pumps and good weather,but tears...no.." Nevertheless,moved somewhat by his very evident distress...I persisted."Tell me" I said..."what is it... ...."have you had bad bad news from the Stock Market..?...have you go toothache..?...has your bycycle sustained a puncture..?..what is it..

He raised his ravaged and tear ridden face..."come" I sai "tell me...I am your friend.." (Anybody I meet in the bilges of the Black Pearl is a friend,its very lonely down there,and any tantilizing young millionairess who wants to join me is most welcome.) However, I digress. "..tell me.." I persisted.."why do you weep so..?"
I waited for his answer.
".....it's Shelley..!" he gasped out."...I'm hopelessly in love wihh Shelley Duvall...!"
I just could not believe it,I was furious."SO.!" I cried"...you're in love with Shelley Duvall.!!....and thats why I find you here..weeping He nodded mierably. I could scarce conceal my utter rage.!"You young f I shputed at him."Come with me.." And I dragged him topsides.Thats th bit above the water. "Look.!" I shouted at him.."do you see that man oiling his winmill...?..do you see that large group of police there....?.. ...do you see that swirl of dust where the Sweethaven Perimeter Patro is riding...?...do you see that battalion of soldiers exercising on the p ...?do you know of the football team,the fire-brigade,the secret serv the props,the carpenters,President Carter's first,third and seventh a the gerdners at the White House...?????they're ALLL in love with Miss Shelley Duvall....!and thats not including all the men and boys on Go and the unfortunate 5893422796 wretched creatures who've allready tak transport to Marsailles and the Foreign Legion.!

Young fool,I thought,let him go and weep elsewhere,for my p I shall scale the rigging and as usual,pushing back my own tears plac telescope to eye for perhaps just a distant glimpseof the creature Duvall. None. And so back to the bilges where life is damp and hard completely young millionairessless.

But perhaps after all a little better than the French Foreign Legeion where I am told they do not have coffee and sweet buns and call sheets and things like that.

Trusting the above is worthy of your kind attention,
I remain,for I must,
Faithfully your's,

H. Pencil.

Herbert Pencil.

POOL TOURNAMENT!

SEE - HOW THE OLYMPIANS FEEL!

WIN LOTS OF MONEY!

DRINK - A FEW BEERS!

OR... JUST WATCH....

(FOOD IS FREE (COURTESY FREDDIE) - DRINKS ON YOU!

BRUSH UP ON YOUR GAMES THIS WEEK - SIGN UP WITH OSCAR FINKLESNIP OR MISS OYL TODAY - DON'T WAIT!

MATCHES WILL BE DONE BY LOTTERY

TOURNAMENT GAMES BEGIN SATURDAY NIGHT, MARCH 22, AT FREDDIE'S POT O' GOLD.

TROPHIES FOR 1ST & 2ND PLACES.

ENTRY FEE - 5 LM - WINNER TAKES ALL!!!

GAME TYPE - AMERICAN 8-BALL POOL

HELP!

BUILD OUR OWN CASINO!!!

YES! WE HAVE PERMISSION FROM BIG BOB – TO USE THE REHEARSAL HALL FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES OF THE NIGHT LIFE NATURE!

TIRED OF SITTING AROUND THE DRESSING ROOMS WAITING FOR YOUR SHIP TO COME IN? DASH THOSE MALTESE BLUES AND TRADE 'EM IN FOR GREEN! OR JUST PLAY FOR FUN!

FOOSBALL!

SCRABBLE!

POKER!

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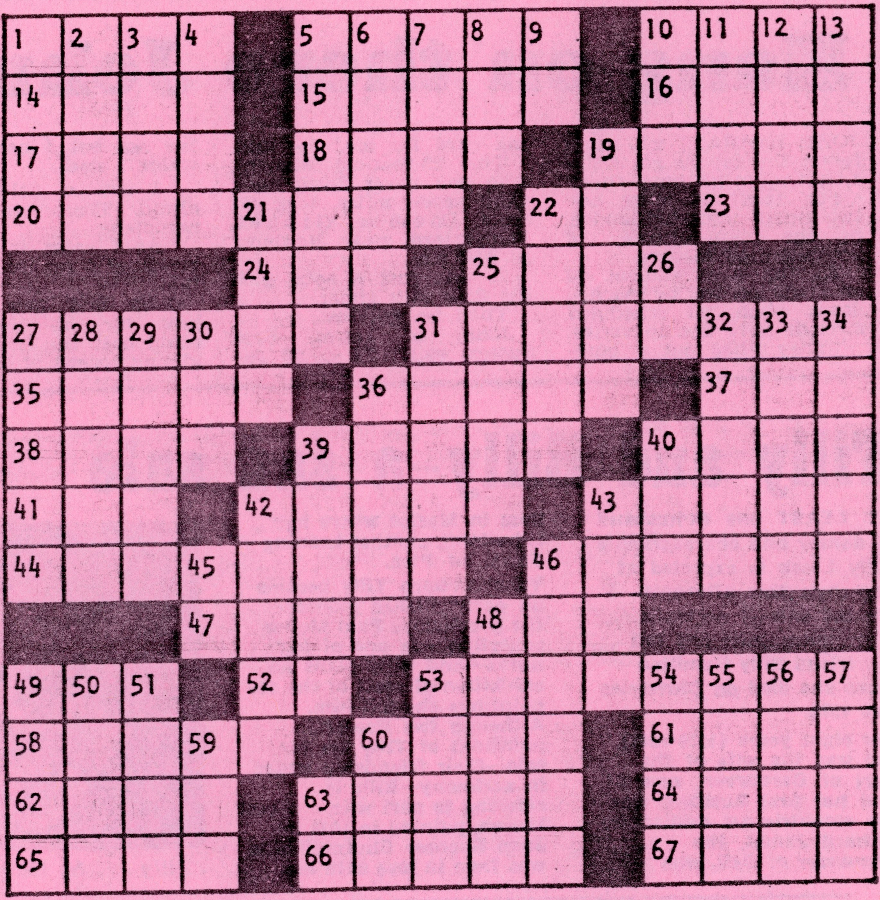
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23 Age
24 Army officers: Abbr.
25 Inlet
27 Two-car ——
31 Christmas and Purim
35 Stadium
36 "In Which We ——"
37 Wager
38 American actor
39 A crowd, they say
40 Perry or Lake
41 Burrows
42 Fruit
43 Judge's prop
44 Lumber factories
46 Calm
47 Holler
48 Place for a work-out
49 Drain
52 —— Young Award
53 Spring holiday
58 Oscar or Cornel
60 Match
61 Flying toy
62 Thought
63 Valley ——
64 "—— Karenina"
65 Denote
66 Indian pole
67 Twelve months

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3 Enthusiastic
4 Martin
5 Pure
6 Residences
7 "Metamorphoses" poet
8 Walker: Abbr.
9 Campus character: Abbr.
10 Approximately
11 Charter
12 Florence's river
13 Miss Cannon
19 Flick
21 Miss Korbut
22 Figure out
25 Centers
26 Ames
27 Fetes
28 Caribbean island
29 Extend a subscription
30 Opp. of syn.
31 Hitler and Göbbels
32 Over and ——
33 Arab land
34 Fur piece
36 "—— We Dance?"
39 Savalas
40 Automobile
42 Portion
43 Muffins
45 Possessive pronoun
46 Network
48 Measure
49 Natate
50 Adjutant
51 Entreaty
53 Haven
54 Sure thing
55 Clinging ——
56 Alcohol lamp
57 —— admiral
59 Blocker
60 Ghost's word
63 Dix or Benning: Abbr.

Hang on there John

JOHN BARRATT will never forget the day he got lost—4,100ft up in his hang-glider.

For about 50 miles and two hours later he landed, by the main runway of Southampton Airport.

To the astonishment of air traffic control he touched down when no scheduled aircraft were due to arrive.

"They filled out a landing card for me," he said.

The 23-year-old student, who had never flown more than seven miles, took off from Coombe Gibbet, Hungerford, near Newbury, at 2.30 p.m.

It was just a spin with his £500 sails glider.

Then he got lost.

John, of Lewes, East Sussex, said: "I could see the sea but I had no idea where I was.

"I saw a field straight ahead. There was one little aeroplane.

"As I came in over the buildings I realised my mistake."

John will now measure how far he travelled—it could beat the British hang gliding record of 50 miles.

Tilly and Billy–a sad sale

- Tilly . . . by Churchill.

AT LEAST one ex-husband f dancer and choreographer Tilly Losch is expected at otheby's this afternoon, r the sale of portraits d memorabilia she left er friend Billy Hamilton when she died on Christmas Eve 1976.

For eight years (1939-1947) she was the wife of the Earl of Carnarvon, now 81, and her first husband was the eccentric art millionaire Edward James, the discoverer of Dali, who lives in Mexico where he is building another Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Venetian-born Tilly became an accomplished painter—the prestigious Paul Mellon collection has one of her works—and Billy plans an exhibition of most of the 100 paintings she left him. Although two Beaton paintings of Tilly are for sale—their friendship ended in acrimony—Billy is refusing to part with the best known, painted in 1938 by John Spencer Churchill who was then in love with her.

No room for Samson's children

Gorilla's wives go on the Pill

SAMSON the gorilla took to life in captivity like a duck to water. Keepers at Bristol Zoo were delighted when he settled behind bars to become the first of his species to breed in captivity since 1971.

They were even happier when the 17-year-old African gorilla sired three more youngsters later. But now there is population trouble in the zoo . . . Samson has got two more females pregnant and there is no room for more offspring.

Nobody likes to get in the way of a romantic gorilla, so the officials have resorted to science. They plan to put Samson's harem—Delilah, Gogal, and expectant mothers Suzy and Naomi on the Pill.

Zoo director Mr Geoffrey Greed said: 'There's no problem. We'll slip the pills in with their mashed bananas.'

SAMSON ... resting between romances

QUOTES

(WORDS FROM THE WISE)

LOVE THOU THE
ROSE,
YET LEAVE IT ON
IT'S STEM.
-THE WANDERER
EARL OF LYTTON
(OWEN MEREDITH)
1831-1891

FROM THE SUBLIME
TO THE RIDICULOUS
IS BUT A STEP.
- NAPPY THE 1ST
1769-1821

IS NOT LIFE A
HUNDRED TIMES TOO
SHORT FOR US TO
BORE OURSELVES?
- F.W. NIETZSCHE
1844-1900

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BUSINESSMAN William Reynolds thought he had a winner when he decided to register 'Here's Johnny' as a trade mark for the portable outhouses he manufactures. Johnny Carson, host of the Tonight Show disagreed. So did a judge after he heard that 63 per cent. of those polled in a survey associated 'Here's Johnny' with the TV Talk programme.

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SMALL businessmen spend nearly £7,000 million a year to complete some 850 million pages of Government forms, a survey reveals.

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ELVIS PRESLEY, I can reveal, will soon be singing duets with stars like Dolly Parton in a new album. His resurrection is accomplished by stripping back-up vocal tracks from the King's old hits so that new voices can be dubbed in and harmonised. Paul McCartney and Barbra Streisand are being approached for the project.

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AMERICA'S only test tube baby clinic, using the technique that was developed in England, yesterday announced pregnancies in a number of previously infertile women.

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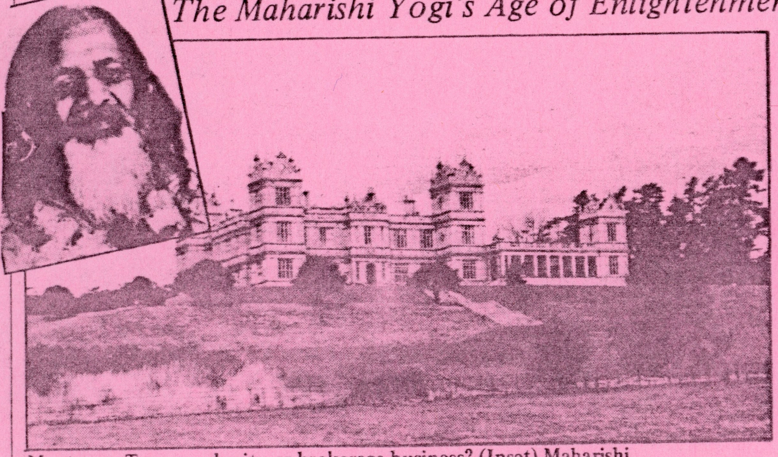
FOR £2 my wife has just bought a miraculous kitchen aid called a Magic Mop that attracts oil like a magnet. Brush it over fried food and it picks up the surface grease. Stir it through stew, rinse it out under hot water, and you can remove 98 per cent. of the fat from the liquid.

How The Maharishi Struck Oil

The Maharishi Yogi's Age of Enlightenment movement has gone into the oil business.



Mentmore Towers: charity or brokerage business? (Inset) Maharishi.

Under the name AEC Ltd (Brokerage Division), the guru's followers have entered the currently volatile oil market, using the movement's Mentmore Towers headquarters as their business address. And one of the first bids they are alleged to have made has been for Iranian crude oil—currently embargoed by America.

Does this entry into the oil fields affect the charitable status which allows the World Government of the Age of Enlightenment to operate tax-free as an educational institution? And would attempts to buy Iranian oil break the American-imposed embargo, since much of the movement's funding and commercial interests lie in America?

Peter Warburton, the 'Minister for Information' for the 'World Government for the Age of Enlightenment' said that AEC (which stands for Age of Enlightenment Company) and the teaching side of the movement were totally separate. But AEC and the World Government use the same telephone, personnel and building.

AEC lists Stephen Benson as Company Director. Benson is also Chief Minister of the Age of Enlightenment. A spokesperson for the Charity Commissioners said this week that it was permissible to conduct both a business and a charity from the same address but that this did lead to enquiries—one is currently underway in connection with a Bristol charity.

On the possible breach of an oil embargo, Warburton said that AEC was a British company although a subsidiary of the movement's main commercial organisation, the Sidha International Corporation which has branches in 23 countries and a headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. As regards the suggestions that AEC might be negotiating for Iranian oil, Warburton denied that they had been and said 'Anyway, there's none available'. He said that the move into brokerage is merely a 'continuation of existing World Government policy'.

This particular policy involves the establishing of businesses that will employ people who will agree to meditate transcendentally for a specific period every day. Through this, the World Government aims to improve the world, claiming that these techniques will reduce crime, cut down strikes and increase productivity. (The World Government did attempt to buy Meccano when that firm collapsed last year, stipulating that the workforce would have to be prepared to meditate for two hours a day. Negotiations are, say the World Government, still continuing but they are only interested in the company if they can be convinced that it will run 'at a decent profit'.)

The main operators in AEC's oil dealings are Andrew Foss and Henry Brighouse, both young men with apparently no experience in the field. However, the brokerage business is wide open. A recent editorial in *Fuel Oil Distributor and Energy Digest* points out: 'the operator can be based anywhere in the world, so long as he has a telephone or telex and knows whom to contact.' The Shell Briefing Service says that brokers operate on a commission basis of 25/50 US cents a ton (11 to 22p), and reiterates that it is an easy business to enter.

The World Government of the Age of Enlightenment ran into trouble last year. A number of its followers left, disgruntled about claims that were being made such as 'learn how to "fly" through levitation courses'. Also last year, Stephen Benson made sympathetic noises towards the Thatcher government, suggesting that the number of strikes were going down under her leadership. His remarks are to be the basis of a complaint against the charity on the grounds that, under the 1960 Charity Act, no charity can enter into the political arena. (War on Want, Christian Aid and Oxfam were criticised in the Charity Commissioners annual report for 1979 for allegedly having leftward leanings.)

Mentmore Towers was bought in 1978 for £240,000 as an additional building for the operation of the World Government and its Transcendental Meditation teachings. The World Government's registration with the Charity Commissioners (No 270157) states that the objects of the charity are: 'to advance the education of the public by (a) establishing, conducting and maintaining an institution of further education, (b) offering such courses of instruction to the public as well as promoting the mental and creative development of the individual.'

The Maharishi himself is currently 'travelling somewhere'. Perhaps he would find the wheelings and dealings of his young Ministers something to meditate about. *(Duncan Campbell)*

Editors' Choice

FICTION: A Married Man, *Piers Paul Read* • Life Before Man, *Margaret Atwood* • On the Edge of the Cliff, *V.S. Pritchett* • Shikasta, *Doris Lessing* • Smiley's People, *John le Carré* • The Beginning Place, *Ursula K. Le Guin* • Yellowfish, *John Keeble*

NONFICTION: And No Birds Sang, *Farley Mowat* • Fin-de-Siècle Vienna, *Carl E. Schorske* • Misia, *Arthur Gold and Robert Fizdale* My Many Years, *Arthur Rubinstein* Sex in History, *Reay Tannahill* Show People, *Kenneth Tynan* • The Right Stuff, *Tom Wolfe*

Best Sellers

FICTION

1. The Devil's Alternative, *Forsyth (2 last week)*
2. Smiley's People, *Le Carré (1)*
3. Princess Daisy, *Krantz (3)*
4. Memories of Another Day, *Robbins (6)*
5. Triple, *Follett (4)*
6. Top of the Hill, *Shaw (5)*
7. Portraits, *Freeman (7)*
8. Jailbird, *Vonnegut (8)*
9. The Establishment, *Fast*
10. The Bourne Identity, *Ludlum*

NONFICTION

1. The Brethren, *Woodward & Armstrong (1)*
2. Donahue, *Donahue & Co. (3)*
3. Free to Choose, *Milton & Rose Friedman (4)*
4. Aunt Erma's Cope Book, *Bombeck (2)*
5. On a Clear Day You Can See General Motors, *Wright (5)*
6. Anatomy of an Illness as Perceived by the Patient, *Cousins (10)*
7. The Right Stuff, *Wolfe (9)*
8. White House Years, *Kissinger (6)*
9. The Pritikin Program for Diet and Exercise, *Pritikin with McGrady (7)*
10. James Herriot's Yorkshire, *Herriot*

THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

THE LONG GOODBYE ISSUE

IF IT WAS SCANDALOUS, WE'LL REMEMBER IT!

The taxmen are in clover now!

CYRIL WEBB had a spot of bad luck yesterday over the four-leaf clovers he grows in his garden.

He lost a fight against the taxman's assessment on income the lucky clovers have brought him.

Mr Webb, 62, of Rosebery Road, Smethwick, West Midlands, says he does not sell the plants . . . he gives them away. But well-wishers send him gifts 'to share in the good luck the clovers bring them'.

The taxman insists this is taxable income. And Mr Webb has been presented with a £1,041 bill, going back over seven years.

'I will now have to charge on a regular basis. It will probably be £1 for each clover, which I will put in a presentation pack,' said Mr Webb.

QUICK CROSSWORD

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5 Bird (3)
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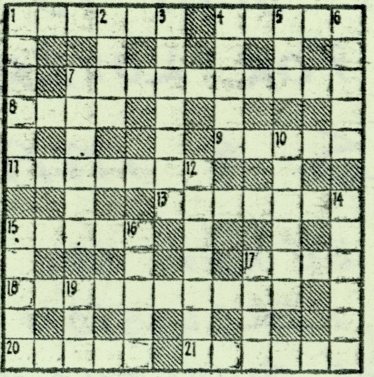
12 Cry out (7)
14 Fall (6)
15 Tree (5)
16 Devil (5)
17 Blemish (4)
19 Poem (3)

TUESDAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1 Approve. 5 Sale. 7 Dot. 8 Alienate. 9 Total. 10 Chef. 13 Roll. 14 Oboe. 18 Name. 19 Ascot. 21 Flawless. 22 Fop. 23 Swag. 24 Surplus. **DOWN:** 1 Addition. 2 Petition. 3 Oracle. 4 Evince. 5 Singer. 6 Late. 11 Forceful. 12 Platypus. 15 Earwig. 16 Recess. 17 Caesar. 20 Claw.



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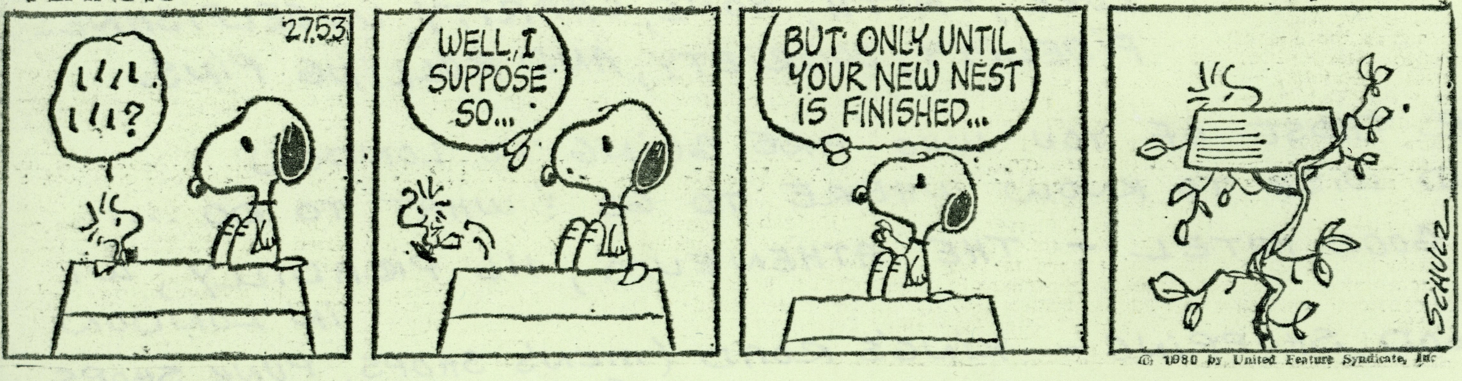
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WELL, I SUPPOSE SO...
BUT ONLY UNTIL YOUR NEW NEST IS FINISHED...
SCHULZ

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'YOU naughty boys—that isn't yours,' shouted Jessica Mitford, English writer of The American Way of Death, when two young muggers snatched her handbag in New York yesterday. Lady, you're lucky to be alive.

★★★★★★

QUOTE by astronaut Alan Bean : 'All this bull about you're safer in space than you are on the freeway is the biggest nonsense I've ever heard. Any time you get something going 25,000 miles an hour, and it's in a vacuum, and you launch it on something that's got 6,000,000lb. of fuel in it, you'd have to be crazy to believe that's safe.'

★★★★★★

THE only bad publicity is no publicity : three weeks after the murder of Dr Herman Tarnower, sales of his best-seller The Complete Scarsdale Medical Diet are reported to have increased by 1,000 per cent.

"TO GIVE YOUR SHEEP OR COW A LARGE, SPACIOUS MEADOW IS THE WAY TO CONTROL HIM." SHUNRYU SUZUKI

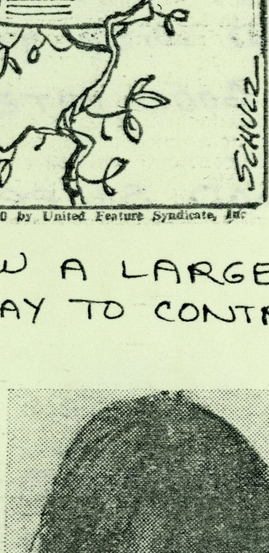
Battered Beatty

CELEBRATING his 42nd birthday yesterday, Warren Beatty had less cheer on other fronts—the cost of his British-based epic Reds has risen by £5 million and there have been elaborate script changes.

The original screenplay by British playwright Trevor Griffiths has been largely re-written by Elaine May, once half of the Mike Nichols comedy act and now a director, who was flown in secretly from New York.

Producer, director and star, Warren is playing opposite Osar winner Diane Keaton in the movie but off screen their romance—he stunned his friends and exes by proposing to her last year—seems at an end.

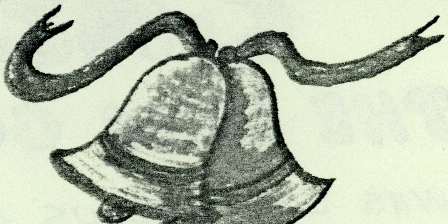
'Warren felt the Griffiths screenplay was too political', says an observer of the project, which centres on the ten days following the Bolshevik Revolution in Moscow. 'He wanted May to stress the Bohemian romance between the parts he and Diane are playing.'



Elaine : Rewriting.

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH



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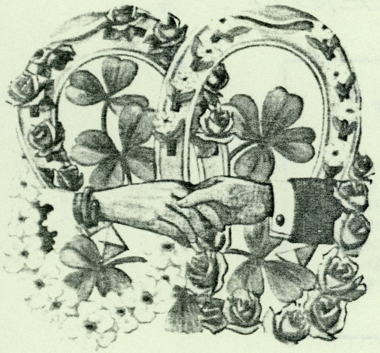

KAREN KINDER & MICHAEL CHRISTENSON
ARE TYING THE KNOT?!
PHIL DUNN & ROBERTA MAXWELL (!!)
HAVE ALSO SAID "YES" ?!

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SPRING TIME FOR LOVERS AND... ♪

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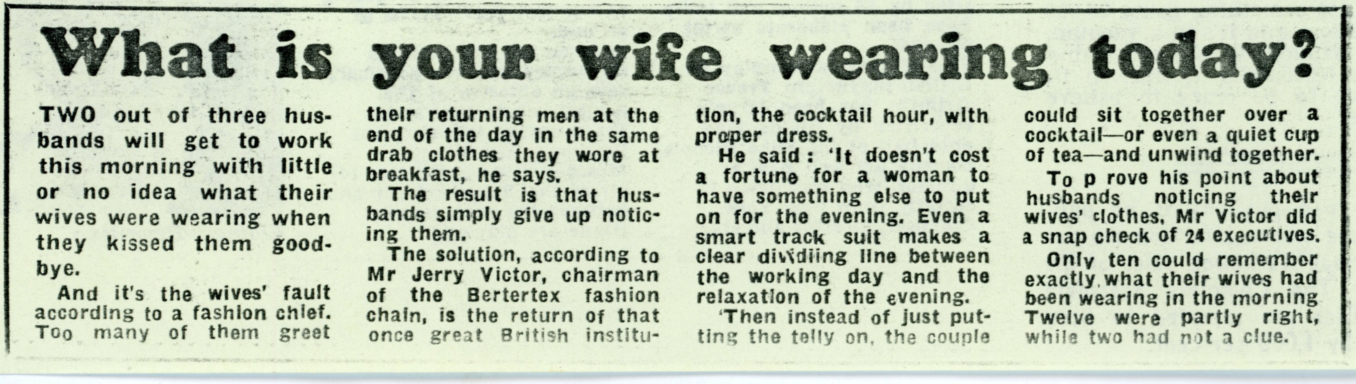
GOOD SHOPPING - KING'S ROAD (MEN'S SHOPS, PUNK SHOPS, SHOE STORES)

BEAUCHAMP PLACE - HIGHER COSTS, BUT BEAUTIFUL THINGS

SOUTH MOULTON STREET
NEW BOND STREET } EXPENSIVE CLOTHING & A NICE WALK

GOOD FOOD - SAN LORENZO ON BEAUCHAMP PLACE - GREAT ATMOSPHERE - GREAT ITALIA



What is your wife wearing today?

TWO out of three husbands will get to work this morning with little or no idea what their wives were wearing when they kissed them goodbye.

And it's the wives' fault according to a fashion chief. Too many of them greet their returning men at the end of the day in the same drab clothes they wore at breakfast, he says.

The result is that husbands simply give up noticing them.

The solution, according to Mr Jerry Victor, chairman of the Bertertex fashion chain, is the return of that once great British institution, the cocktail hour, with proper dress.

He said: 'It doesn't cost a fortune for a woman to have something else to put on for the evening. Even a smart track suit makes a clear dividiing line between the working day and the relaxation of the evening.

'Then instead of just putting the telly on, the couple could sit together over a cocktail—or even a quiet cup of tea—and unwind together.

To p rove his point about husbands noticing their wives' clothes, Mr Victor did a snap check of 24 executives.

Only ten could remember exactly what their wives had been wearing in the morning Twelve were partly right, while two had not a clue.

April 17, 1980

FROM THE DESK OF SYDNEY STONEFELLER

Sweethavenettes: As I lay here in the Blue Sisters taliman, flemin well up in my niches, as I think about this past zlim.
Having an opinsdanae is not pleasant, but the Sweethavenettes rallied around their official with great lominz!! For that I am very grateful.
Sweethavenettes I lominz you all very much !

Your faithfull slurvant,

Syd Stonefeller

Sydney Stonefeller

P.S. Sydney's vohoisle, Barbara Says Thank you all also.
We both are grateful and love you all.

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WORLD OF CRIME—1

'Poison Pickle' gang raid shops

DOUGLAS THOMPSON

in Los Angeles

SUPERMARKETS were being guarded yesterday against 'The Poison Gang.'

The crooks are threatening to put cyanide in foods and preservatives in all branches of the Safeway supermarket chain on the San Diego region unless they get what they want.

And that is fifty diamonds—loose and 'of good quality.'

The extortionists—their victims also own the Safeway chain in Britain—have struck already at the branch in La Jolla, California.

They laced a jar of dill pickles with enough cyanide 'to kill a family' and then telephoned the assistant manager to tell him which one it was.

With the jar was a note, signed 'The Poison Gang,' saying five other food items had been poisoned.

But they would not reveal where these were unless they were paid in diamonds for their information.

The poisoners also raided Safeway's store at nearby Pacific Beach.

There a bottle of sauce was found to contain a lethal amount

The two stores 'were closed for checks but opened again under tight security.

Police received more than 100 calls from worried customers.

One came from a doctor complaining of nausea after eating pickles bought at the La Jolla supermarket. Health officials have found no link so far.

WORLD OF CRIME—2

Kidnappers murder star's brother-in-law

THE millionaire brother-in-law of singer Sacha Distel has been found murdered by kidnappers in Tahiti.

The mutilated body of 26-year-old Olivier Breaud was in a shallow grave in a suburb of Papeete, capital of the Pacific island.

Three French immigrants, Yves Le Goff, 37, his wife Claude, 34, and Daniel Chelle, 40, have been arrested.

From ALAN TILLIER

in Paris

Madame Le Goff is said to have lured Breaud to a villa outside the capital by posing as a former college friend who wanted to talk about old times.

Breaud, the director of a local oil company, is said to have driven off to the meeting. He was never seen alive again.

He is believed to have been killed soon after arriving at the rendezvous.

The kidnappers then asked for a £1·2million ransom from Olivier's multi-millionaire father, 75-year-old banker Jean Breaud who controls half of the businesses on Tahiti and who has a Parisian-Pacific banking empire.

The old man refused to pay without evidence that his son was alive.

WORLD OF CRIME—3

Girl 'killed three'

SYDNEY: An 18-year-old girl baby-sitter was charged yesterday with murdering three children.

Helen Moore, an attractive blonde, was alleged in court to have admitted killing her step-brother Peter, who was seven; Rachel Hay, two; and Susan McIntosh, 16 months.

Helen was accused of murdering Peter by holding her hands over his mouth and nose while he watched TV and suffocating the other two in their cots.

She was remanded.

This and That. (Mostly etc).

A letter to the Editor.

Dearest Madam,

Some time ago you suggested that any Love Letter received might well serve as a form of Journalism.

I offer you one, unabridged, typical of men. Poison

My very dearest...envied of the Angels..my one and only,

Permit me to pour out the contents of my heart, so that you may actually know in which direction my feelings flow.

Sorry indeed that I do not have the opportunity to drop to one knee(two if you would rather, my wonder-girl, my spinning top, my knitting pattern...etc...etc..you know full well...vixen you are) and say all this to your utterly heavenly face.

But I can not. Simply, my anxiety being such, as to the outcom I performed a little rehersal in the car park, and there, dropping to one knee I went through my heartfelt and most moving speech of supplication. A little rehersal indeed, and it went so well, I felt that no woman could possibly refuse me. Such was my eloquence. If that is how you spell it.

Pretty soon the ambulance bells were ringing. the doctors fussing about for during the long and impassioned speech I had knelt, dazed of brain and unknowing, into a puddle of water and had caught very severe pneumonia in my knee and had to be lifted bodily in the kneeling position and stuffed into the ambulance and here I am in hospital.

You have not been to see me. I am alone.

However, I have a very pretty nurse, and have looked carefully round the bed and there appear to be no puddles..so pretty soon...

She may well refuse me, but I think will be moved sufficiently to put a little more sugar in my bed-time cocoa.

I must close now for I see her approaching to take my racing pulse.

I remain, of course, and always,
Yours so very truly
. . . .
Name witheld for obvious reasons that the puddle has dried

Another letter to the Editor

Dearest Madam,

Would you be so kind, through you columns to in-form the joker who dropped a piahrahna(if thats how you spell it)into the grapefruit mix in the canteen, that we, the unit do not find it so very funny.

Nor does the special effects man who unfortunately drank the grapefruit. The damage to date is that the furious little fish ate the man's right elbow churned away most of the wrist, including a fraterni RING ~~pin~~, and jumping from the wound, entered the man's pocket, fortunately the pirahna(if thats..etc..)being of a modest nature in spite of it beastliness, ignored ceartain apparatus there and went on down to sav the right knee cap, eat up the socks, both shoe laces, having taken the shoe, plus foot, and was last seen struggling away with the plastic sol

We can not blame the little fish for a pirhana is a pirahna however you spell it.

Fortunately the Special Effects man, being what he's(and they are, hardly noticed the difference.

The perpetrator, however, has been Barred from the Arches for at leats three weeks.

Thank you,
Yours truly,

Poral Munch (Sec. to [illegible])

Record sales kick de bucket

BY MICHAEL WALTERS

REMEMBER the Monkees? And long-playing records at £2.50 a time? Those were the days.

Now they're back, and it's bad news for the record business. The Monkees were America's factory-made answer to the Beatles. This week, their old songs are rising fast in our Top Fifty record charts.

Many of the long-playing records selling at £2·50 are also blasts from the past. And they represent a new commonsense approach to hard times.

Suddenly the record majors are recognising that £5 plus is too expensive for most record buyers. They are cutting the price of old material, and not-so-old material.

WEA, one of the brightest major record companies, have just slashed the recommended price of most of their catalogue. Three months after release, £5 albums are to be slashed to £4 each.

Gossip in the trade is that an album can hit the top of the hit parade with sales of 30,000 to 40,000. Eighteen months ago, topping the pops would have meant sales of 300,000 copies.

It's an unhappy background for Thorn to be working through their merger with EMI.

Leslie Hill, managing director of EMI Music Europe, best-remembered as the man who hired and fired the punk rocking Sex Pistols, is leaving. So is Ramon Lopez, managing director of EMI's British record company for two years.

EMI rebut gossip of low morale, and a clash in company style. EMI record men have not, the company says, been told they must hide their hairy macho chests behind a shirt and tie on visiting Thorn House.

Business is beginning to get better in America, it seems. But in Britain, there are many record men who must shudder each time they hear number 67 in the Music Week hit parade.

What's that? The Harry J All Stars and the Pioneers performing 'Liquidator' and 'Long Shot Kick De Bucket'.

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Dan Rather new CBS anchorman

NEW YORK (AP) – Dan Rather will succeed Walter Cronkite, the country's best-known television, journalist, as anchorman of the "CBS Evening News" early in 1981, CBS announced Thursday.

Bill Leonard, president of CBS News, said Rather had signed a long-term contract to succeed Cronkite as both anchorman and managing editor of television's top-rated nightly news program.

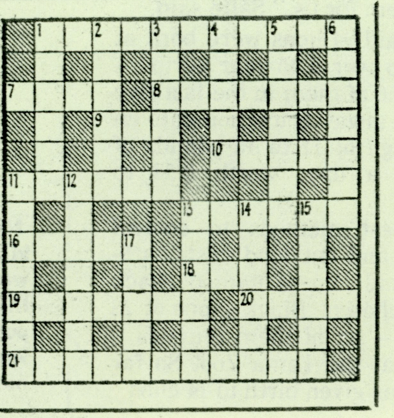
The selection of Rather to succeed Cronkite quickly defused speculation that the "60 Minutes" correspondent would sign a huge contract with a rival network. One report early last week had Rather the recipient of an $8 million offer from ABC.

Cronkite will continue in his present position, probably through the presidential inauguration next January. "And I'm going to continue to be very active with CBS after that," he said in an interview several hours before the announcement.

QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Repair (11)
7 Skilful (4)
8 Spear (7)
9 Female deer (3)
10 Vassal (5)
11 Taint (6)
13 Impudent (6)
16 Purify (5)
18 Fruit in a shell (3)
19 Speech (7)
20 Exploiter (4)
21 Little Bo-Peep? (11)

DOWN
1 Strip of cloth (6)
2 Toboggan (6)
3 Thing (6)
4 Smith's block (5)
5 Malady (7)
6 Convent (7)
11 Irreverent (7)
12 Oven (7)
13 Flag (6)
14 Make musical (6)
15 Strain (6)
17 Girl's name (5)



WEDNESDAY'S SOLUTION. — ACROSS: 1 Cornet. 4 Comet. 7 Excellence. 8 Gilt. 9 Crime. 11 Taproom. 13 Nominal. 15 Dread. 17 Stew. 18 Ingratiate. 20 Light. 21 Gunner. DOWN: 1 Caught. 2 Next. 3 Treason. 4 Colic. 5 Man. 6 Theme. 7 Elapse. 10 Innate. 12 Morning. 14 Lawyer. 15 Drill. 16 Dealt. 17 Stun. 19 Gag.

Farrah wants a baby

O'NEAL . . . tested

From FRANK THOMPSON

in New York

IT COULD be wedding bells for former Charlie's Angel Farrah Fawcett and Ryan O'Neal.

Hollywood friends are predicting this now that the couple have been re-united after Farrah's brief flirtation with American football star Dan Pastorini.

And Farrah, for the first time, has revealed that she wants a child. Farrah has given her husband, Six Million Dollar Man Lee Majors, the elbow

Hollywood columnist Michael St John says: 'Ryan and Farrah have reconciled and their relationship is more serious than ever.'

They are living together and 'are discussing marriage',

Insiders say Farrah's 'fling' with beef-cake Pastorini was no more than a test for Ryan to see how much he cared for her.

Without mentioning O'Neal, Farrah admitted she is in love: 'I know I'll have a baby. I'm obsessed by this.'

FARRAH . . . a fling

To all who are leaving
this week – a warm
hug: best wishes from
all of us who are
staying on.
We will miss you!
(Good-byes are always
awkward....)
Love from Jeanette Thrush

IF it moves, copy it. NBC, apparently awed by the success of Dallas, is rushing out a soap opera about the lives of the very, very rich. It is to be called, inevitably, Texas.

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IT seems incredible, but Americans now buy more Japanese-made cars than the Japanese themselves. Latest figures reveal that in January Americans bought 6,000 more Toyotas, 1,200 mor Datsuns and an astonishing 23,000 more Hondas than Japanese car buyers.

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NOW the bellygram: For not much more than the cost of a cable the Tapestry Oriental Dance Troupe of Connecticutt will send an enchanting belly dancer to jiggle her way through any message you care to send.

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AFTER NASA turned down his request for interring human ashes on the moon, New York entrepreneur Sid Goldstein has come up with the scheme of flying your powdery remains up to the troposphere and releasing them into the jet stream. When the pearly gates open, you see, you're one step ahead of the crowd.

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SIGN on a Rolls-Royce Camargue in a California used car lot—'only $89,000' (£40,000).

Boat People near 'end of the tunnel'

Boo
hoo
hoo
hoo

Japan experiments with contraceptives for lions

TOKYO (UPI) -- The population explosion isn't limited to humans. Just ask the Tokyo zoo keepers who have to feed the king of beasts.

Overcrowding at the Tama Zoo in suburban Tokyo has prompted experimentation' in family planning for lions using American contraceptive pills.

"The test we are conducting now has two aims: controlling excessive population growth and cutting the costs for keeping animals," said Masaru Saito, veterinarian and chief animal keeper.

"Animals in captivity are well-fed and have a high population growth rate," he said, pointing up concern for the well being of the big cats in crowded zoos.

"With safari-style zoos increasing steadily in this country, overpopulation of animals is certain to pose a serious problem in a not-distant future.

"We chose lions as the subject of our experiment because they are kept at almost all zoos and their population growth was the most serious problem for us," Saito said.

He said 94 lions were born at his zoo over a 15-year period -- 40 to 50 of them in the last five years alone. Each lion eats an average of 11 to 15 pounds of meat a day, worth 8.33 to 11.66.

To test methods to control birth and cut food costs, a 9-year-old lioness named Black was chosen. Black is one of 23 lions -- six of them females -- kept at the Tama Zoo. So far she has given birth to 14 cubs

Some like it hot

PUGILIST DAD WAS A HARD LAD!

Hit woman's contract up

NEW YORK (AP) -- After tracking down clues in a double killing a week ago, police have arrested a 21-year-old woman whom they say is the first female killer-for-hire they have ever encountered. Blanche Wright, who has no police record, is accused of murdering four men and a woman. She has admitted two other murders that police now are investigating.

THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

WIMPY
EQUALS
OXHEART

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, THE COMMODORE IS PROBABLY RESPONSIBLE!

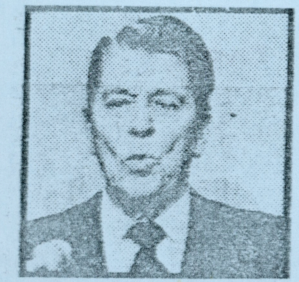
Democrats Reelect Dead Man

SOUTH BOSTON, Va. (UPI)—Rufus Owen Watts Sr. has been reelected to the Halifax County Democratic Committee, but he won't serve his term. Watts has been dead for more than a year.

County party Chairman Howard P. Anderson said Watts was reelected because the committee has a policy of "not dumping" members who have served faithfully.

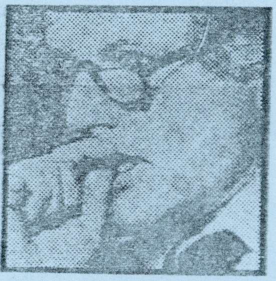
"THERE ARE TRUTHS WHICH CAN KILL A NATION."
- JEAN GIRAUDOUX
1882 - 1944

U.S. ELECTION '80



REAGAN: He is 69, with snow white hair dyed orange, a shrunken figure who should be in a bath chair.

KENNEDY: Spectacularly maltreated by the Press. With relentless zeal the media barons have ground every morsel of legend out of him.



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A PHANTOM pedicurist caught red-handed with 15 bottles of nail polish won't be prosecuted for painting the big toe nails of girl students at the University of Southern California, police said yesterday. The toe nail tinter struck by crawling underneath a library table and swiping with his brush at the girls' tootsies.

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YOU, WON'T, I can reveal, be reading any interviews with Amy Carter. Mary Hoyt, Press secretary to Rosalynn Carter, says the President's wife 'blew her stack' when asked if the 12-year-old could be interviewed by several news organisations.

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OH DEAR, OH DEAR! TV's Six Million Dollar Man Lee Majors says he's depressed and frustrated because he can't land a major role at a movie studio. No-one it seems is interested in discussing his quarter of a million pounds price tag.

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FOR the record: Bishop Robert Terwilliger, Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, says the idea of creating a sperm bank from the donations of Nobel Prize winners, so as to produce exceptionally bright children is just 'depersonalised fornication.'

MARGARET ... the shortest that Royalty aspired to

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RANDY Schrader stopped hiding his homosexuality when he was at law college. And it hasn't hurt his career yet. The 33-year-old Los Angeles Assistant-Attorney has become the second 'open Gay' to be elevated to the bench by Californian governor Edmund Brown.

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PSSTT! Wanna buy a movie studio? All you need is a minimum of £9 million in cash. That will gain you Hollywood's somewhat run-down ten-acre Samuel Goldwyn Studios. All bids must be in by the end of the month.

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FORGET those slides of last year's holiday: within two years, 20th Century Fox intends to begin releasing its movies on video cassettes and video discs for home use at approximately the same moment the films reach movie theatres, the company has announced.

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BUMPED into an American friend who lives in California the other day. He and his live-in-lover had broken up, he announced. But it was all very amicable, he insisted. 'We have agreed upon joint custody of the dog.'

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AMERICA has more non-drinkers—32 per cent. of the adult population—than any other country, reports a new survey. Britain, I'm afraid, does not even make the first five.

"TICKER TAPE AIN'T SPAGHETTI."
- FIORELLO H. LAGUARDIA
1882-1947

AN OLD GENTLEMAN ASKED A LADY IF HE COULD TAKE HER HOME. "OF COURSE," SHE SAID, "BUT I MUST WARN YOU, I'M IN THE MENOPAUSE." REPLIED THE OLD BUFFER, "THAT'S ALL RIGHT, I'LL FOLLOW IN THE BENTLEY."

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID YOU KNOW:

JULES FEIFFER IS THE FIFTH BEATLE?

BOB ALTMAN STATED 2 TO 1 HE COULD OUTSHOOT ANYONE ON A POOL TABLE?! ANOTHER KANSAS CITY BOASTER? FIND OUT TONIGHT AT THE POOL TOURNAMENT AT FREDDIE'S POT O' GOLD, 8 P.M.!

B.A. - "I HAVE A STATEMENT TO MAKE TO THE PRESS. OUR DISTINGUISHED WRITER, J.F., HAS LABELLED ME RIGHT WING. WELL, IF HE'S LEFT WING, THEN I AM DEFINITELY RIGHT."

J.F. - "ONCE AGAIN, B.A. HAS DISTORTED ME. I MERELY SAID HE WAS LIKE FRANK CAPRA."

B.A. - "FRANK CAPRA WAS A FASCIST."

J.F. - (LAUGHTER AND NO QUOTE)

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 - WHAT'S THE ANSWER TO THIS RIDDLE? - ASK BOB ALTMAN ANYTIME

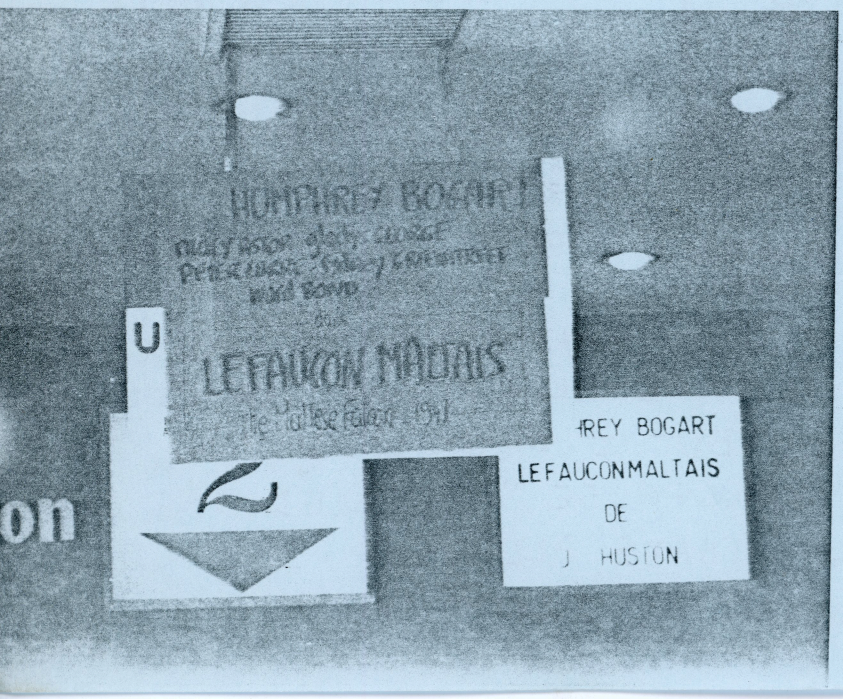
ADOLPH ZUKOR AND WALT DISNEY WOULD ROLL IN THEIR GRAVES IF THEY KNEW!

BEAR SUBSCRIBES TO "THE THOMIST."

IT'S ALI VS. BIG JOHN TATE FOR $14 MILLION IN JUNE?

NOTHING CAN KILL MAGIC FASTER THAN AN EXPLANATIO

LLOYD'S BANK & THE KAMA SUTRA HAVE 10 POSITIONS - ALL CLOSED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HOPE YOU'RE FEELIN' BETTER!

WOUNDED IN ACTION:

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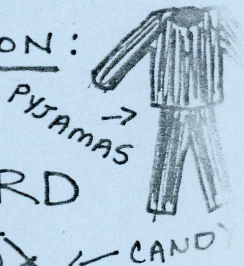

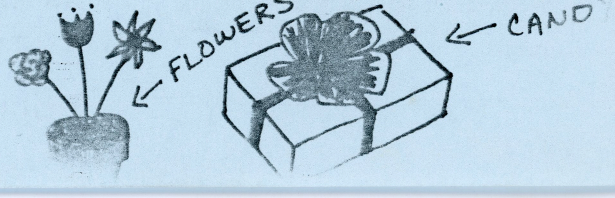
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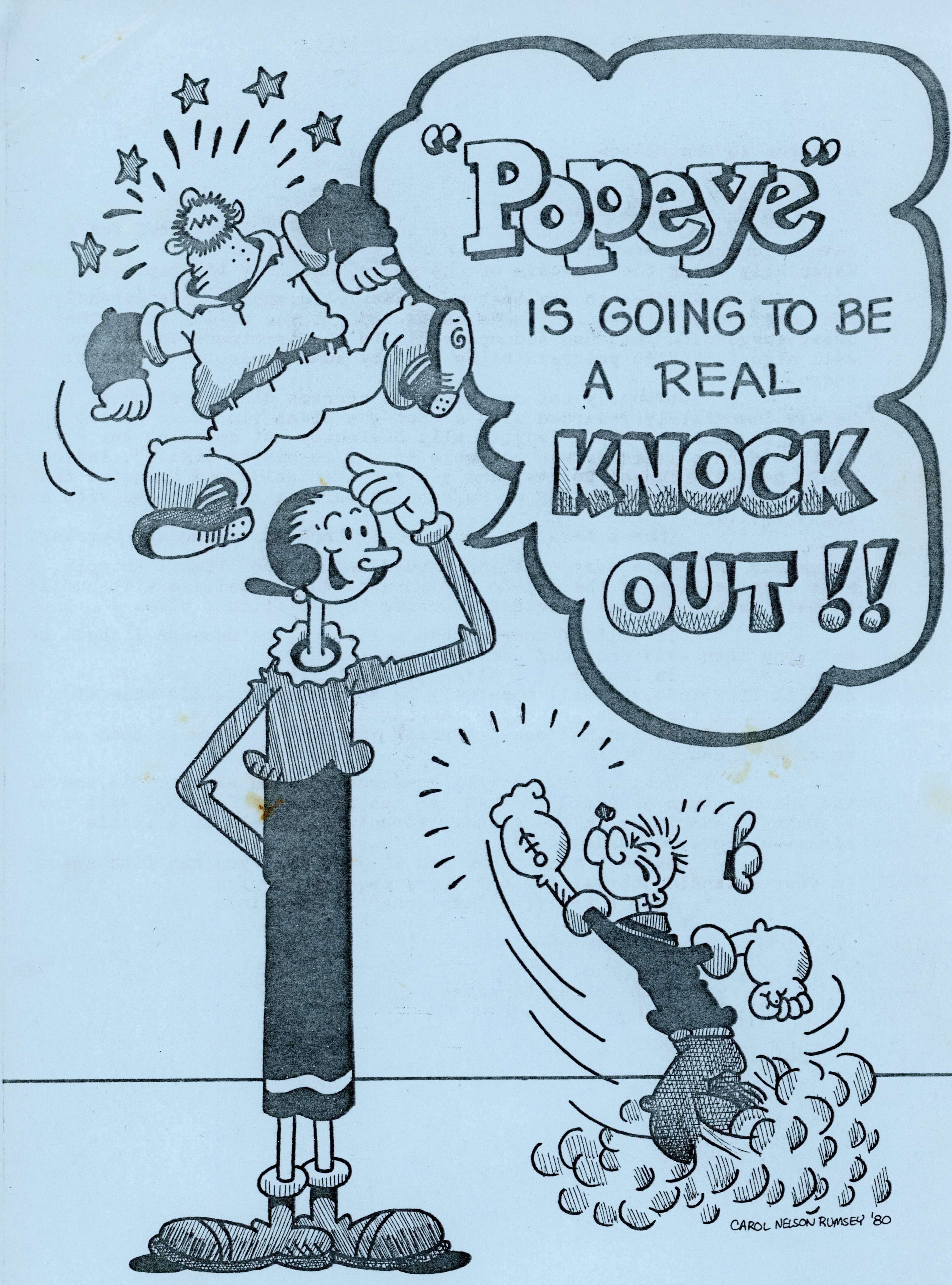
"Popeye" IS GOING TO BE A REAL KNOCK OUT!!
CAROL NELSON RUMSEY '80

A letter to the Ediror.

Dearest madam,

I write because of the evident need for a common language between all of us here at Sweethaven. Especially after the sad case of the young Texan now in hospital.

Suffice to say that our dear Texan, spying an apparently lonesome young Maltese lady, made, as he thought, the polite and rather sweet suggestion that she accompany him to his apartment to see the well nigh fantastic progress being made by some Marigolds he had plan there.

Obviously not speaking the correct dialect of these par he was immediately rewarded with a shot-gun blast (in those parts) simply because the young lady, equally obviously not speaking the slan of the Texan oil fields was not able to say to him(in time) "..indeed would be most pleased to come and see your Marigolds, and honoured tha you ask me, but watch it, for my husband is lurking in the hedge with a shot-gun...."

Thus a tradgedy. And merely through a language barrier.

So, rather than this sort of thing should happen too often I am going to make a collection of the day to day phrases that I believe will suffice to help us all here at Sweethaven during this difficult time.

It will of course take a little time because I shall be bringing into existence and entirely new language.

In honour of a slightly older language, I propose to call it Aspirinto, and will hopefully be an easily intelligeable (?) collation of the three principle languages with which we all have to deal..English, Italian, Maltese. I shall include American as soon as an opening can be found.

Evening classe will commence as soon as possible, and sho the weather turn even colder than it has done so allready, I will inclu a touch of Esquimaux in the grammar structure. Purely as a little classical joke, you understand.

Madam, I must thank you if you feel you can find space in your splendid journal for this very required srvice.

Your's truly, or "mah Jong" in Aspirinto.

Sd

John Cooper Longlake

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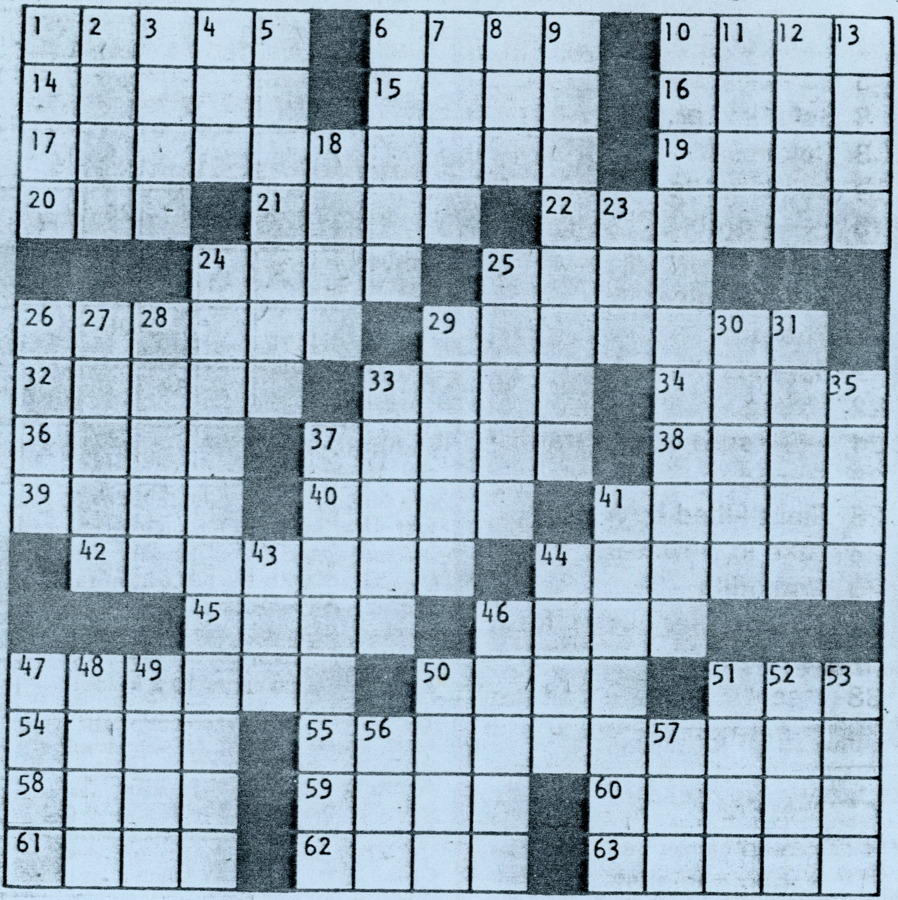
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ACROSS

1 Yet: 2 wds.
6 Semite
10 Voice range
14 Like a lamb
15 Bicarb
16 Regal feline
17 Subsistence
19 Biblical weed
20 "—— to Joy"
21 Chemical endings
22 Wards off
24 Stage
25 Mast
26 Hold back
29 Describes
32 Lift
33 Inland sea of Russia
34 Writing and acting
36 Behold!: Lat.
37 Germ
38 Nipple
39 Asian weight
40 Softens
41 Famed caravel
42 Manufacture
44 Kicked
45 Softwood
46 A.M.: Poet.
47 Pinnacle
50 Blow your horn
51 Gershwin
54 Joint
55 Inter-office communiqué
58 Moslem call to prayer
59 Cuts
60 Vassal
61 Omar original
62 Hawaii state bird
63 Lance

DOWN

1 Alone
2 "Metamorphoses" poet
3 "—— Fingers"
4 But and prop follower
5 Liberate
6 Tennis ace and family
7 Marsupials, familiarly
8 Stir
9 Spoiler of a full barrel: 2 wds.
10 Heated dispute
11 Fabulist of a sort
12 Wrongful act
13 Folding money
18 First letter: Abbr.
23 Liberian native
24 Growth
25 Gun parts
26 Egyptian month
27 Tire type
28 Ten-speed bike
29 Idler
30 Council of ——
31 Connecticut
33 Speedily
35 Arena: Abbr.
37 Certain stand-in: 2 wds.
41 Doors
43 502: Rom.
44 Rustic
46 Huge ruminant
47 Three-handed card game
48 Wavy: Her.
49 Intend
50 Government agents
51 Boulogne brainstorm
52 Fold
53 Bitter: Fr.
56 English river
57 —— and tuck

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NOW YOU'RE ON

ACROSS

1 Alms chest
5 So ——, so good
8 Soldier: Lat.
13 Color
14 Death rattle
15 —— drab
16 Penny
17 French coins
18 Pirate
19 Spreads abroad
22 Wrung
24 —— sum qualis eram
25 Owned
26 Giant killed by Apollo
28 Lake in New York
33 Armadillo
35 Of benzene: Comb. form
37 Sports area
38 Insect
39 In harmony: 2 wds.
40 Unusual
41 Are: Fr.
42 Haven
43 Italian socialist
44 Relative
46 Bombeck
48 Army brass: Abbr.
49 Turmeric
51 Certain winds
53 Dispensable
57 Beautiful bush
58 Blackthorn fruit
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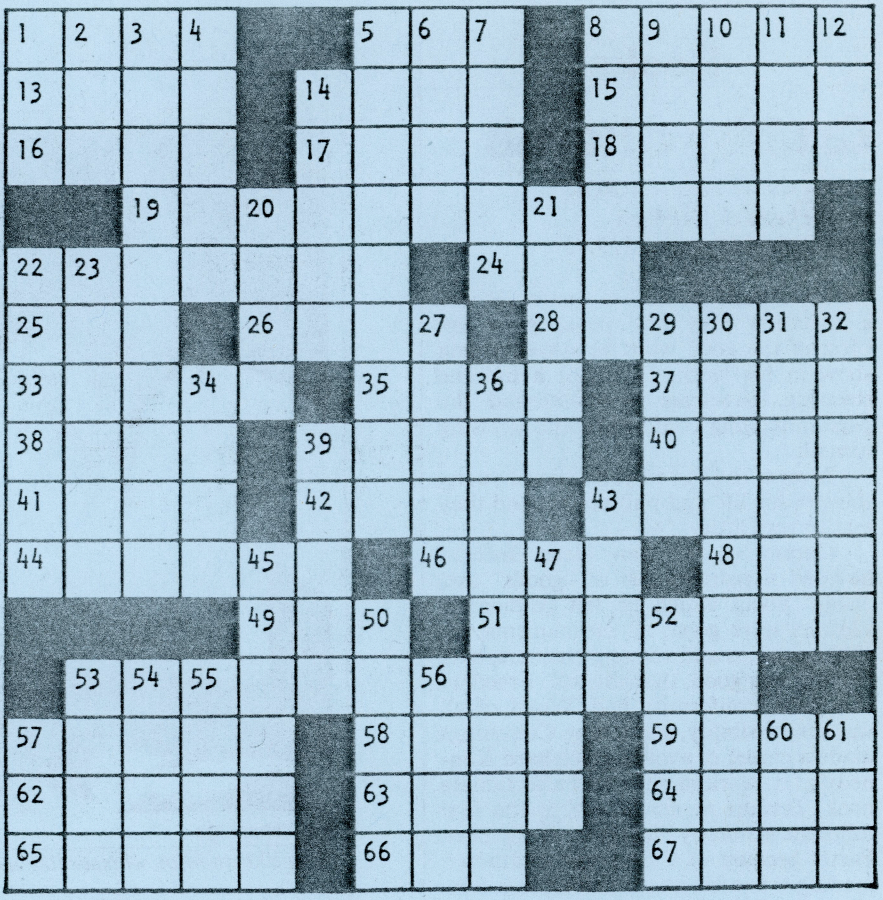


DOWN

1 Spark stream
2 Fish eggs
3 Slate
4 Those against
5 Met with courage: 3 wds.
6 Astringent
7 Tree product
8 Gussie and Peggy
9 Holm
10 Type of wire
11 Nights before
12 To be: Span.
14 Place anew
20 Colonnade
21 Not a person: 2 wds.
22 River of England
23 Elk
27 Coast
29 Had on
30 Gospel preacher
31 Errol or James
32 Liquid fats
34 Relax
36 Confidentially: 2 wds., Fr.
39 After: Fr.
43 Sanhedrin chief
45 Builds
47 Alma ——
50 Eria's habitat
52 Hard-come-by evidence
53 Long river
54 Buck heroine
55 Fresh-water worm
56 Miss Raines
57 Certain discs: Abbr.
60 Cote call
61 On the other side: Abbr.

Books

Grubby Cherub

DREAMS IN THE MIRROR
by Richard S. Kennedy
Liveright; 529 pages; $19.95

e. (Edward) e. (Estlin) cummings was a romantic poet who never grew up. Most of the good ways he stayed young show in his work. He spent a lifetime strewing lower-case words around the page, attacking conformity and praising women.

Most of the bad ways he stayed young show in his life and philosophy, and they matter very little.

Cummings had few ideas. Instead he used a petrified list of "goods" and "bads" about which he felt passionate. Flowers were good, all mechanisms, including radios and vacuum cleaners, bad. Feeling was good, thought bad. Freedom was good, conformity bad. Worst of all was responsibility, something Cummings made a career of avoiding. Richard Kennedy's fat, workmanlike and affectionate book, *Dreams in the Mirror,* is the first full-scale scholarly biography of the poet. Partly because of Cummings' character, reading it is a bit like wrestling in a boxcar full of feathers. The cargo is ticklish, and there is precious little weight for the volume.

Cummings' father called him "Chub," short for cherub. His mother always wanted a son who would be a poet, and she kept a record. His first verse, at age three: "Oh my little birdie oh/ With his little toe, toe, toe!" At the Cambridge Latin School in Cambridge, Mass., Estlin tried to write a poem a day. Sample at age 16: "God, keep me trying to win the prize;/ Pamper me not,though I be crying./ Though snickering worlds wink owlish eyes,/ God,keep me trying." Harvard (A.B. 1915, M.A. 1916) all but undid this model boy. His discovery of the decadent poets of the 1890s led him to write lines like "(Oh God!) the wonder of you—" Courtesy of Ezra Pound, he also fell in with free verse and the imagist movement. Poetry henceforth was to be simple, sensuous and direct, images fresh, startling and spare. Cummings proved an apt poetic experimenter, though some of his finest verse, eventually, was traditional:

> *This is the garden. Time shall*
> *surely reap*
> *and on Death's blade lie many a*
> *flower curled,*
> *in other lands where other songs be*
> *sung;*
> *yet stand They here enraptured, as*
> *among*
> *the slow deep trees perpetual of*
> *sleep*
> *some silver-fingered fountain steals*
> *the world.*

One of his father's mottoes was "We can't all of us be honored by titles and degrees but we can all be Knights of the Daily Bath." As a Harvard rebel, Cummings more or less gave up washing. Mother sometimes managed to steal his shoes at night to give them a respectable shine.

Books

MARION MOREHOUSE

e.e. cummings
Sing like an idiot, whisper like a drunk.

In 1917 he went to France with the Norton-Harjes Ambulance Service. There he tangled with suspicious French authorities and wound up doing some time at La Ferté-Macé, in a prison for dissidents, misfits and security risks. One result was *The Enormous Room,* published in 1922, Cummings' savage account of prison life and human solidarity. The book is still a classic. After the war Cummings settled in Greenwich Village, where he lived on money supplied by his parents and admiring friends. In the 1930s, watching F.D.R. and something Cummings liked to call "the nude eel" increase Government power, he began to describe America as the "home of the slave." But when he traveled to Russia he found Stalinism far more repressive and said so: "kumrads die because they're told . . . all good kumrads you can tell/ by their altruistic smell."

Cummings had three wives, two of them fashion models, all of them beautiful. In 1919 he had a child by Elaine Thayer, the estranged wife of his best friend Scofield Thayer, publisher of *Dial* magazine. A few years later the poet married Elaine, but the couple stayed together less than a year. He made at best sketchy attempts to have a part in his daughter's life. She was 28 years old, in fact, before she learned Cummings was her father. Kennedy does his best with this blend of scandal and soap opera; the revelatory meeting between father and grownup daughter is the closest thing to an excuse for the last half of the book.

"along the brittle treacherous bright streets/ of memory comes my heart,singing like/ an idiot,whispering like a drunken man/ who(at a certain corner,suddenly)meets/ the tall policeman of my mind." This was the best poetic expression of Cummings' lifelong view that a murderous antagonism exists between thought and feeling. The tall policeman of his mind appeared very few times in his verse and hardly at all in his life. A pity; because of that absence, people suffered, not the least of them the poet. *Dreams in the Mirror* measures the pain; for pleasure, the reader, like Cummings, has to go to the poems themselves. — ***Timothy Foote***

Editors' Choice

FICTION: Life Before Man, *Margaret Atwood* • On the Edge of the Cliff, *V.S. Pritchett* • Shikasta, *Doris Lessing* • Smiley's People, *John le Carré* • The Beginning Place, *Ursula K. Le Guin* • The Bloody Chamber, *Angela Carter* • Yellowfish, *John Keeble*

NONFICTION: And No Birds Sang, *Farley Mowat* • Fin-de-Siècle Vienna, *Carl E. Schorske* • Maugham, *Ted Morgan* • Misia, *Arthur Gold & Robert Fizdale* • Sex in History, *Reay Tannahill* • Show People, *Kenneth Tynan* • The Right Stuff, *Tom Wolfe*

Best Sellers

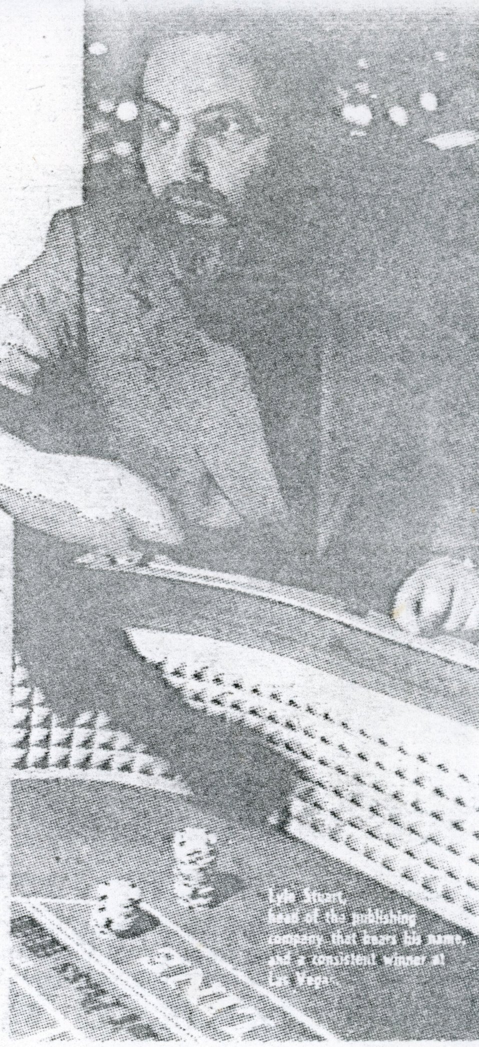
FICTION

1. The Devil's Alternative, *Forsyth (1 last week)*
2. Smiley's People, *Le Carré (2)*
3. Princess Daisy, *Krantz (3)*
4. Triple, *Follett (5)*
5. The Bourne Identity, *Ludlum (10)*
6. Portraits, *Freeman (7)*
7. Memories of Another Day, *Robbins (4)*
8. Jailbird, *Vonnegut (8)*
9. Who's on First, *Buckley*
10. The Top of the Hill, *Shaw (6)*

NONFICTION

1. The Brethren, *Woodward & Armstrong (1)*
2. Donahue, *Donahue & Co. (2)*
3. Free to Choose, *Milton & Rose Friedman (3)*
4. Aunt Erma's Cope Book, *Bombeck (4)*
5. On a Clear Day You Can See General Motors, *Wright (5)*
6. Anatomy of an Illness as Perceived by the Patient, *Cousins (6)*
7. All You Need to Know About the IRS, *Strassels with Wool*
8. The Pritikin Program for Diet and Exercise, *Pritikin with McGrady (9)*
9. The Right Stuff, *Wolfe (7)*
10. White House Years, *Kissinger (8)*

HOW I DECLARED WAR ON CASINOS ...AND WON!



Lyle Stuart, head of the publishing company that bears his name, and a consistent winner at Las Vegas.

Your only defense against the casinos is to WIN. I did it 10 trips in a row—for $166,505 and I'll show you how YOU can do it, too!

Have you ever seen a lamb being led to slaughter? He's a model of docility. He doesn't resist. Doesn't even bleat...does just what you tell him...walks down the chute...

...then...WHOP!...he's lamb chops.

That's what happens to you at Las Vegas.

The Casinos do a clever job of camouflage—girls, fine food, lavish entertainment...

All of it to cover up the fact that, at bottom, they're out to turn you into lamb chops. Legally.

If you lose, there's no whistle to blow, no sherriff to call, no lawyer to get a writ, no croupier to say, "Hey, we were only foolin'—here's your money back."

No way! It WAS your money. It's THEIR money now. Have I made myself clear? In plain words, it's WAR! Got it? Good.

Because now we get to the juicy part. The part where we put the shoe on the other foot.

Two can play at war—I've proved it.

My name is Lyle Stuart. If you read books, you know my name. I'm a publisher, and a damn good one.

But if they ever closed me down and took away my manuscripts and my copyrights, I could go right ahead and make a second fortune at the casino tables.

In fact, I already have. And here's the proof: a notarized statement of my NET WINNINGS (after all expenses) for **ten consecutive trips to Las Vegas...**

State of New York
County of New York

Lyle Stuart, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I visited Las Vegas, Nevada on ten separate occasions between January 1, 1977 and May 27, 1977.

I came away a winner for each and every one of these ten consecutive visits.

The dates of my arrival and the amounts of money won on each visit are as follows:

January 1	$18,600
January 8	$10,700
January 20	$9,400
February 6	$14,265
February 23	$7,412
March 16	$36,009
March 28	$29,990
April 7	$3,457
May 12	$22,093
May 27	$14,579

My total winnings over and above all expenses for the ten consecutive trips to Las Vegas amounted to $166,505.

Lyle Stuart

Sworn to before me
this 3 day of October, 1977

Notary Public

JACK N. ALBERT
Notary Public, State of New York
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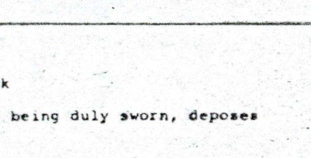


Now, understand, I **couldn't** publish figures like that if they weren't true. The IRS would be fighting the FTC to see who could carve me up first.

Secondly, each trip lasted about two days, so we're talking an average of over $8,000 per gambling day:

stake! Whoever heard of a streak lasting so long?

See what I'm getting at?

YOU DON'T NEED LUCK TO BEAT THE LAS VEGAS CASINOS (OR ANY GAMBLING CASINO IN THE WORLD)!

You don't need esp, psi, clairvoyance, precognition, telekinesis or a crystal ball.

What you need are rules.

I know what they are.

I spent 22 years of trial and error finding them.

And I will give them to you.

"CASINO GAMBLING FOR THE WINNER" SHOWS YOU HOW TO WIN, PLAIN AND SIMPLE!

In it I reveal the entire methodology and approach I used to beat Vegas 10 times running.

MY BOOK GIVES YOU ALL THE CARDINAL RULES...ALL THE COMMANDMENTS...ALL THE DO'S AND DON'TS...ALL THE INSIDE INFORMATION NOBODY EVER PUT IN A BOOK BEFORE.

Like:

- How to bet that 4 consecutive players at the dice tables won't make at least 4 passes each. (In just 2 hours, that little trick turned $100 into $28,000!!)
- Why "proposition bets" are such a good deal for the house and such a sucker bet for you.
- How to get in on the hot roll. And when to pull out.
- Why you should never push a streak past 5.
- Why the casinos are so nervous about Baccarat.
- Why you should never make a line bet or a come bet you aren't willing to back up with full house odds.
- How to protect your stake so you come out ahead every trip.
- When you should bet a Tie at Baccarat.
- Which side bets are good and which aren't.
- Which casinos are best for which games.

And that's only for openers. A single chapter—Chapter 13, "A Positive Approach to Craps"—does more to clear up the confusion surrounding odds, double odds, double **free** odds and odds before and behind the line than anything you've ever read.

...In Chapter 21 I show you how YOU CAN TURN A FEW BUCKS INTO A MONTH'S SALARY IN A FEW HOURS BY THE SIMPLE ACT OF KEEPING A SCORECARD AT BACCARAT.

...I once parlayed $100 into $8,000 on **two** turns of the cards at Baccarat because I had observed that when "Player" has won 3 times in a row, your ONLY bet is "Player", not "Bank."

...And did you know that only a 3-unit betting approach allows you to take full advantage of house odds?

Where did these rules come from?

I DISCOVERED THEM MYSELF THROUGH TRIAL AND ERROR. NOBODY EVER PUT THEM IN A BOOK BEFORE...THAT IS, BEFORE I DID!

TODAY, I CAN LITERALLY SIT DOWN AND **PLAN TO** GO OUT AND WIN...PREDICTABLY AND RELIABLY AS IF THE STATE OF NEVADA HAD GIVEN ME A PASSKEY TO THE MINT.

AND THANKS TO "CASINO GAMBLING FOR THE WINNER," SO CAN **YOU**! I GUARANTEE IT!

Here is my offer.

"CASINO GAMBLING FOR THE WINNER" is either going to save your life or make you a fortune.

And all I want for it is $20

It's the most inexpensive insurance you ever bought.

Understand what I am saying: my education cost me thousands of dollars and 21 years. Your education will cost you $20 and a few hours.

The research has been done. I DID IT. The dues have

You don't pay me a cent until you'v won money!

Incredible? Here's all you do. Send me your check $20 postdated for 30 days from now. During that time re "CASINO GAMBLING FOR THE WINNER." Use it. Take it Vegas or Atlantic City. And if it doesn't help you w money—or if you are dissatisfied in any way—just send back to me and I'll return your check UNCASHED!... **That** how certain I am you'll be an instant winner!

Whatever you decide...

Remember what I said about the casinos: IT'S WA

I've seen a party of Japanese industrialists lo $1,200,000 in 8 hours! I've seen two Arab brothers bl $4,000 every two minutes for hours on end! **Them** I didn feel too sorry for.

But I've also seen everyday folks lose money th couldn't afford to lose...money they never **thought** they lose. That tragic look on their faces, that look of "What ha pened?...how do I tell the wife?...what about t kids?"...Not something you want to see twice.

Don't let it happen to you. Order your copy "CASINO GAMBLING FOR THE WINNER" and it **can** happen.

In fact, you'll not only survive the battle, you'll w the war!...I promise!

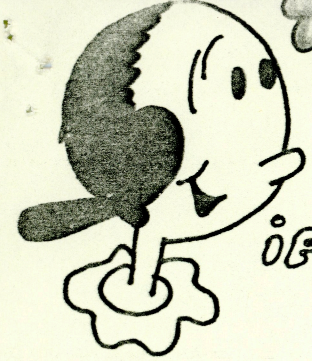
Sincerely, Lyle Stuart

CLIP AND MAIL TODAY

Dear Lyle Stuart
I agree with you: the best defense against losing is a strong offense for winning! Please rush me my copy of "Casino Gambling for the Winner" on the free guarantee 30 day trial examination basis as explained above.

☐ Enclosed is my postdated check for $20.00
☐ I'm in a hurry to win. Here's an extra $2 (a total of $22—for RUSH-FIRST-CLASS HANDLING!
☐ Bill my credit card.
☐ Visa/BankAmericard ☐ Mastercharge
Card # ____________ Expiration Date: ____________

Signature Ned Dowd
NAME



THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

MONDAYS
EQUAL
THURSDAYS

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, WE CONCEIVED IT!

☆★☆★☆★☆★☆

DID YOU KNOW?

THE weed "horse tail" grows in gold-bearing soil and can contain up to four-and-a-half ounces of gold per ton.

DID YOU KNOW ?

WHEN the treadle sewing machine was invented by Elias Howe it was attacked by a New Orleans medical journal. They said the constant leg movement would make women sexually excited.

GENERAL CONSENS

THE TALENT SHOW WAS TERRIFIC !!

THANK U - SCOTTY, ALLAN, BOB, & ALL PARTICIPANTS

REMEMBER RULING IS A LOT OF WORK!

justice

can make your hair curl

★ ACTRESS Tatum O'Neal, 16-year-old spokesperson for her lothario father Ryan, and for most of Hollywood it seems, has just made her feelings for Margaret Trudeau known to the American public. Margaret, of course, made a desperate attempt to place her slippers under Ryan's bed, after running out on her husband, former Canadian Premier Pierre. Spits young Tatum in an interview: "She left this trail of perfume all up our stairs in our house. I'll smell sandalwood for the rest of my life."

UP SHE BLOWS!

The fisheries protection ship Switha was blown up by the Navy yesterday after being wrecked on rocks in the Firth of Forth.

DID YOU KNOW ?

TO PRESERVE the English wool trade, Charles II passed a law making it illegal for anyone to be buried in anything but a woollen shroud.

Rounding up the devil

CIRCULAR houses were built at entrances to the Cornish village of Veryan so that if the devil tried to enter the village, he would go round in circles and leave confused.

Mouse race is squashed

THE RSPCA has put its foot down on a sports club's latest attraction . . . mouse-racing.

Devon Sporting Club organised a race between twenty mice over a 14ft. course during a night out at a top Torquay hotel.

RSPCA Inspector Tony Eden said: "This is animal exploitation of the worst kind. I will have to see if anything illegal has taken place."

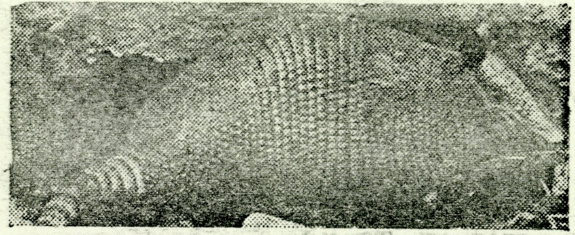
But a club official said: "There was no cruelty. We're not a bunch of morons."

WHAT DO THE NUMBERS 1,286 AND 115 HAVE IN COMMON? —
THEY'RE CONSECUTIVE SUITES AT THE WARSAW HILTON.

What the hell has changed?

BREAKTHROUGH

A dragon to beat leprosy



THIS funny little fellow, Dasypus novemcinctus, or nine-banded armadillo, (right) could be the means of wiping out leprosy, a disease that now afflicts 15 million people throughout the world.

British medical research scientists, using the armadillo as their key source of supply, have produced a leprosy vaccine that will soon be tested.

The armadillo is found mainly in tropical South America. A great digger, he looks like a small dragon in pinkish-brown armour.

The armadillos that have helped produce the British leprosy vaccine are kept at the former hush-hush Microbiological Research Establishment at Porton Down, Wilts., now under Department of Health control.

Each costs the taxpayer around £20 to buy and £5 a week to feed.

Armadillos are the only creatures that are known to produce infected tissue from which the leprosy vaccine can be produced.

And they produce it in great quantities.

The vaccine is vital as drugs now used to combat leprosy are inadequate.

RONALD BEDFORD

Ali: I shall be U.S. President

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

NAIROBI: Muhammad Ali predicts he will become the first black President of the U.S. in 1988.

"And I won't lie, although other Presidents lie," Ali said.

He predicted that he would win the election easily.

Popular

"I am the right age (38) and I am handsome," he said. "I have been more popular for a long time than anybody else in the world.

"For 20 years I have been a popular man. The Beatles have come and gone. Cars have come and gone. Presidents have changed. Cities have changed. But I am still popular."

Ali, in Africa to win support for President Carter's Olympics boycott campaign, was speaking in Nairobi, Kenya's capital yesterday.

Crowds milled around his hotel and clambered on to his car for a last glimpse before he flew to Nigeria.

Rights

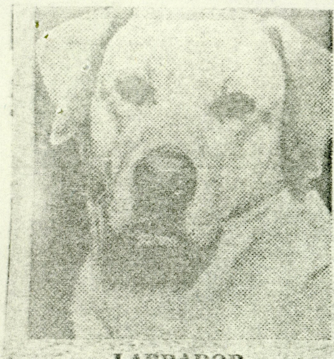
Ali told reporters: "I'm fighting to bring freedom to the black people in South Africa. I don't think Allah, God, made me as popular as I am to make movies, chase around blondes and brunettes, and then forget the masses.

"I'm a fighter for all people who have been deprived of human rights. The No 1 troube spot on the planet is racist, devilish, slavery South Africa."

Restaurant flambé

CANBERRA: A restaurant serving Russian food was set alight by a firebug yesterday in an apparent protest at the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Now the owners, ironically a Chinese couple, have decided to serve Chinese food. Mrs Lin Chan said: "We only started doing Russian food because there are 50 Chinese restaurants round here."

"There's a saying in the music business: 'where there's a hit there's a writ.'



LABRADOR
'Rather large'

WEST HIGHLAND TERRIER
'Too fussy'

FOUR SQUARE

F	O	R	T
O	B	O	E
R	O	L	L
T	E	L	L

ARRANGE 16 letters into four-letter words which read the same across and down (see example left). Solution on Page 47.

***HERE** are the 16 letters for this week's puzzle and a clue to one of the words—but we're not saying which one.*

A A A B D E E G
G I I K N N R R
CLUE: Notion

Edwardes: pugnacious

Mystery Comes to New England With Old Foe of Nemo and Ahab

BOSTON, Feb. 7 (UPI) — A giant, 450-pound squid with 7-foot tentacles was put on display yesterday at the New England Aquarium, where it is being studied by marine scientists.

The animal looks like something out of a fisherman's horror story. Capt. Nemo in "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" battled one and Capt. Ahab's crew in Moby Dick mistook one for a whale. The squid washed ashore Saturday at the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge on Plum Island.

"There haven't been any giant squids recorded coming ashore since 1900," said the aquarium spokesman Liz Kay.

"They used to turn up frequently off the Continental Shelf during the late 1800s," she added, "but we don't know why they disappeared for so long."

"At this point we're not even sure what species it is," she said. "We think it's probably a female, but we're not sure yet."

POP POPPED THE PILL

A WOMAN supposedly on the Pill had seven children in seven years, a Texas medical conference was told.

It turned out that her husband had been taking the Pill regularly because he thought his scatter-brained wife might sometimes forget.

Mouth organ man blows it . . .

Len's hot potato looks a turkey

HOW MANY STEINETTES
DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE
A PARTY?

Dicks to stay for another ten years

PECCAMORAMA

BINGO: The cakes and buns have been dished out.

BASS: What has happened to the music lovers? They have realised that it is more fun to love your neighbour.

COMPOST: Campesino has returned, but as he did not find a job overseas he is lost for words. Keep trying!

BIENVENU: Dr. D. Walwyn-James is now fit as a fiddle and should be here anytime now. A hearty welcome.

TALLEYRAND: This is the beginning of the end.

THE LEVELLER: Alexander the Great, seeing Diogenes looking attentively at a parcel of human bones, asked the learned philosopher what he was looking for. Diogenes replied: "That which I cannot find — the least difference between the bones of your father and those of his ordinary slaves".

PLUTARCH.

THE KNIGHT: To us, a tired Mediterranean people, who have forgotten the rules of the old diplomatic game of looking after our own interests, is left the solace of sitting comfortably in judgement and deciding which is the side of the angels. Lost in this trance of moral superiority, we have the furniture stolen from our house and every roof lifted off our dizzy heads. When the rain falls through and sun scorches the floor, we even have the effrontery of calling it an act of God.

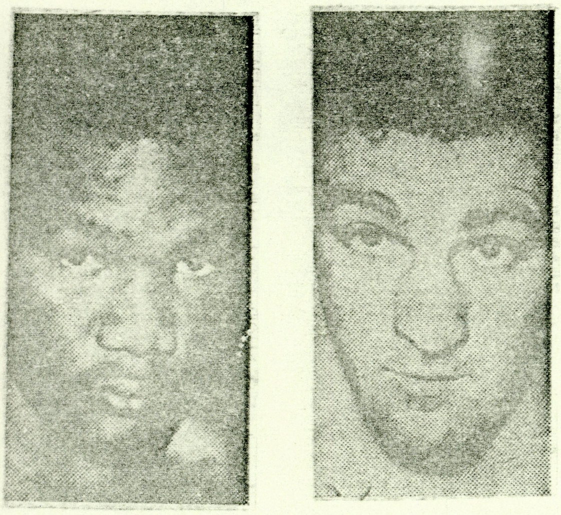
DOM MINTOFF: Far and Near, 1951.

Laugh it off

FIDGET TO THE TOP

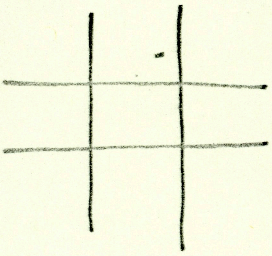
STUDENTS who fidget do better in examinations than those who sit still, says Dr. Laurence Morehouse, of California University. The reason is that fidgeting sends nervous impulses that increase the flow of blood to the brain.

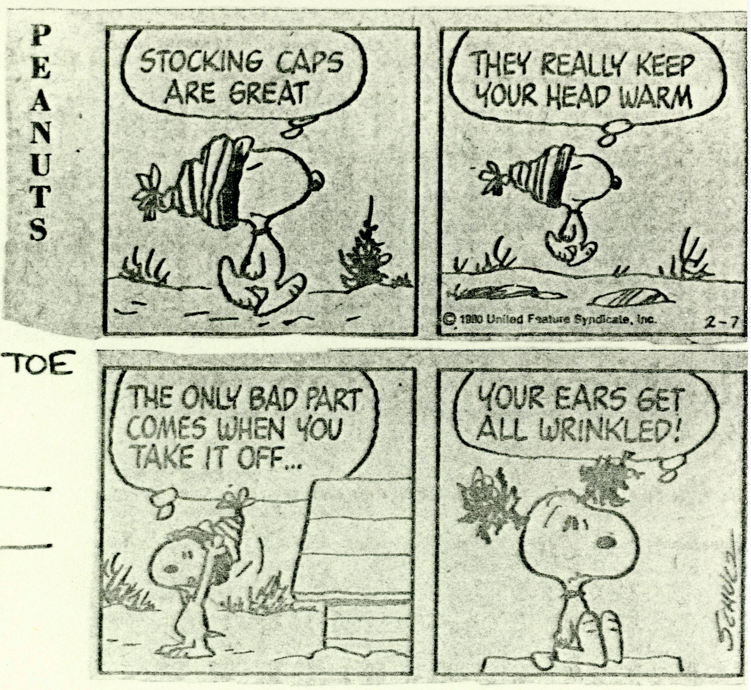
FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT



WHO ARE THESE MEN? (LAST WEEK'S MAN ON HIS HEAD WAS..... ZUBIN META!)

TIC TAC TOE




PEANUTS
STOCKING CAPS ARE GREAT
THEY REALLY KEEP YOUR HEAD WARM
THE ONLY BAD PART COMES WHEN YOU TAKE IT OFF...
YOUR EARS GET ALL WRINKLED!
SCHULZ

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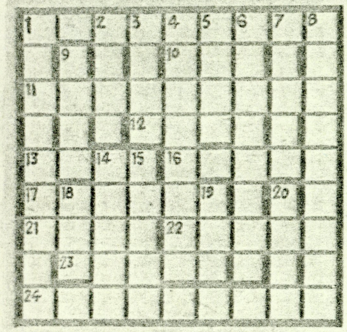
THE SMALL CROSSWORD



No 9,223 . . . by TIM McKAY

Across

1. Deprived of the right to bat. (6, 3)
10. Seize suddenly. (3)
11. Perfect partner. (5, 4)
12. Talk bombastically. (4)
13. Listen to. (4)
16. Defeats. (5)
17. West Indies island. (6)
21. Noble beast. (4)
22. Mistake. (5)
23. Money. (5)
24. Deposed. (9)

Down

1. Smart boy. (6, 3)
2. Unwanted plant. (4)
3. Untruthful person. (4)
4. Piece of photographic equipment. (8)
5. Break of day. (4)
6. Resume of a person's life-work. (8)
7. Seedy. (5)
8. Cherished. (9)
9. Lazy. (4)
14. Regarding. (5)
15. American cattle farm. (5)
18. Lubricate. (3)
19. Metal-bearing soil. (3)
20. Centre. (4)

The Maltese have taken Mr Mintoff's exhortations light-heartedly. With a major American company now in the island to film a musical version of "Popeye," many have suggested he tries feeding spinach to his forces.

Mirrorgram

Rearrange the letters below to make the name of a TV series:

THE ODD MIRROR MAN SINGS

WEEKEND

Simon Hoggart

gives a hilarious—and disturbing—account of his recent visit to Rhodesia.

FOR DOODLING:

Play Bridge with OMAR SHARIF

N

♠ 10 7 3
♥ A Q 10
♦ K 3 2
♣ 8 7 6 4

W

♠ A 9 6
♥ 9 8 7 3
♦ 10 8 6
♣ J 10 9

E

♠ J 5 2
♥ K J 4
♦ A 9 5 4
♣ 5 3 2

S

♠ K Q 8 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ Q J 7
♣ A K Q

TODAY'S ITALIAN

ACTION!
AZIONE!

CUT!
STOP!

READY!
PRONTI!

ATTENTI
A DOVE
METTETE
LE MANI!

WATCH
YOUR
HANDS!

THE dead don't sue, of course, but author Charles Higham, who has already revealed how Errol Flynn was a homosexual Nazi, now claims in his forthcoming book that the actor was a kleptomaniac who struggled with cancer and committed suicide. Still, none of us is perfect.

DID YOU KNOW?

IN 1797, the first publisher to be offered Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice" rejected it without bothering to read it.

GOOD EVENING

Strictly for laughs

By JOEY ADAMS

My sermon for today is the word "that." Without it a lot of comics and speakers could be lost for words — which could sometimes be a good thing. Have a few examples:

He was so nervous *that* he kept coffee awake.

She was so rich *that* she bathed in a solid-gold bathtub and left 14-karat rings.

She is such a prude *that* she blushes when somebody mentions intersection.

He is so lazy *that* he gets in a revolving door and waits.

He is so polite *that* he wouldn't open an oyster without knocking on the shell.

He had such big feet *that* they used him to stamp out forest fires.

He was such a heavy drinker *that* when he took a blood test, the doctor offered him $60 a case.

He was so unpopular *that* he tried to get bad breath to attract attention.

She was so fat *that* she put on a girdle to get into her kimona.

She was so short *that* when she wore a mini shirt the hem got dirty.

She was so ritzy *that* even her husband had to use the servants entrance.

He was carrying a torch so long *that* he joined the plumbers union.

He was so cheap *that* he squeezed a penny so hard — Lincoln's face was black and blue.

FALCON DROPPINGS

DELUXE EDITION

(THERE'S BIRD DOO-DOO ON THE HOOD!)

BY JEANETTE THRUSH

DID YOU KNOW!?...

THAT ONE WIFE HAS SIX WEEKS TO GO ON HER PREGNANCY AND ANOTHER HAS SIX WEEKS TO GO ON HER CAST?

HE'S NOT HEAVY, AND HE'S NOT MY BROTHER - BUT HE'S LARGE, AND HE'S MINE! HA HA!

WHAT WIFE STARTED OUT AS A SKETCH AND BECAME A MURAL

WHAT CONCEPTUAL ARTIST SAID "FUCK'EM IF THEY CAN'T TAKE A JOKE"? (A TYPICAL TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR)

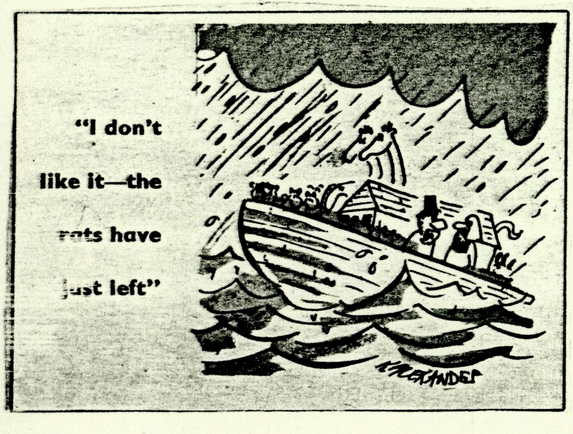
WHAT CONCEPTUAL ARTIST SAID "FUCK YOU AND THE HORSE YOU RODE IN ON."?

WHAT FAMOUS ROCK WAS SEEN GETTING STONED WITH A PEBBLE

WHAT INTERESTING CARD GAME WAS GOING ON IN THE REHEARSAL HALL ON SATURDAY? AND WHO LOST THEIR DOUGH? (WE DON'T KNOW!

J.T. DOESN'T HAVE MUCH THRUST LEFT TODAY, SO THIS IS IT FOR THIS, THIS WEEK!

THE HOME ADDRESS OF
STAR DONOVAN SCOTT:
MELLIEHA HOLIDAY CENTRE
BUNGALOW 201
MELLIEHA, MALTA



"I don't like it—the rats have just left"

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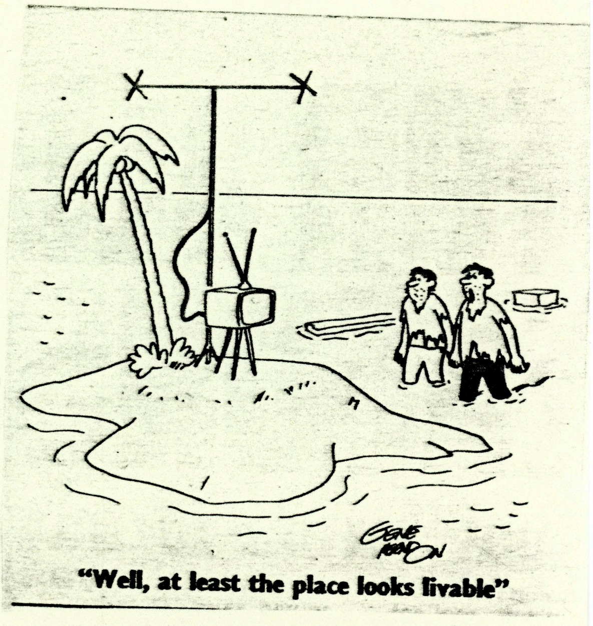
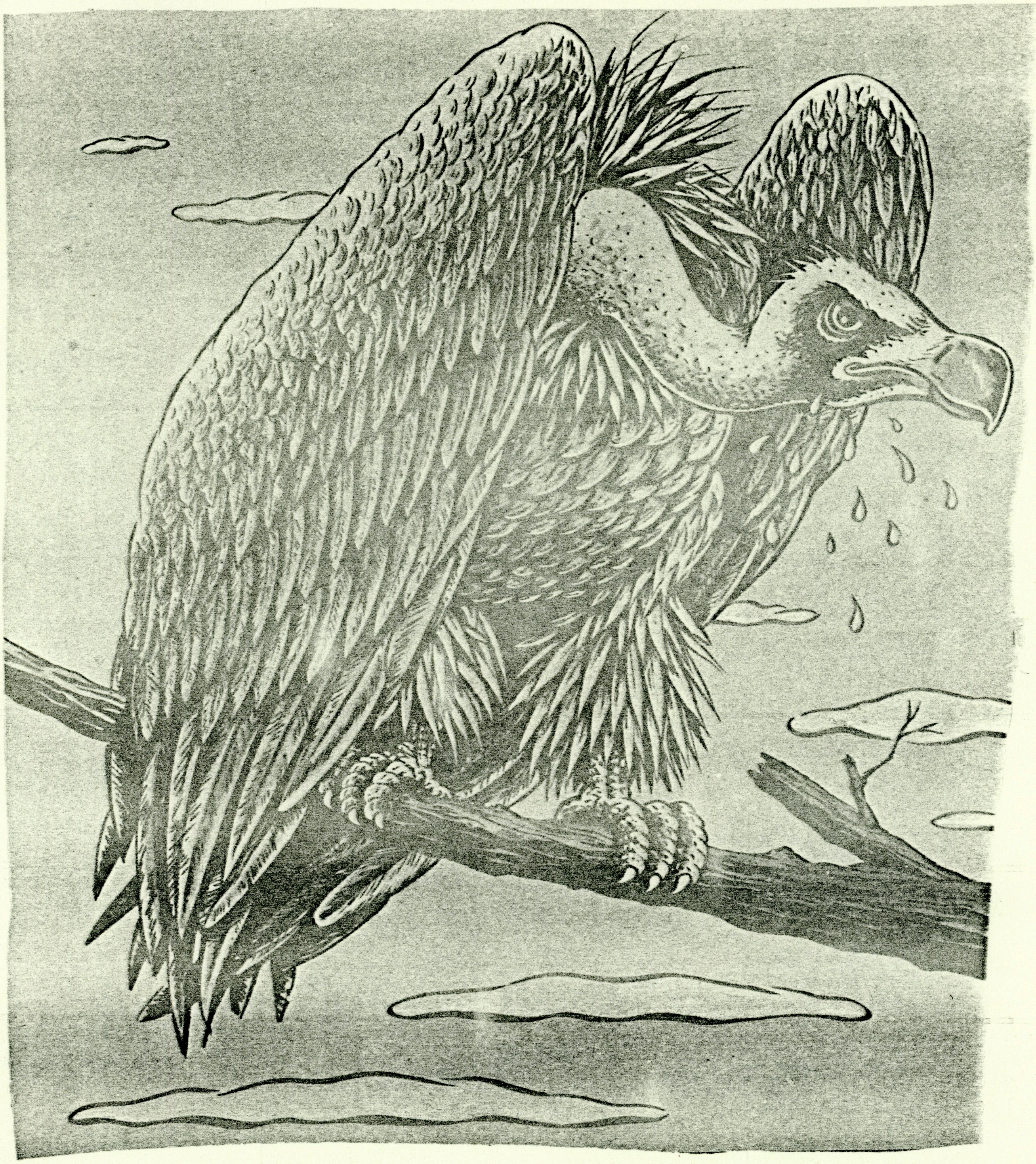


"Well, at least the place looks livable"

J.T. ALWAYS COVERS HER OWN TRACKS (BUT NOT WITH DIRT)

Have you ever wished you were better employed?



GiVE ME A
FALCON
BREAK!
O.K?

sweet nothings.

SWEETHAVEN ARKSKYLOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS - BY WAYNE ROBSON

GUESS WHAT?! THE HAL SAFLIENI HYPOGEUM IS THE OLDEST MALE CHAUVINIST STRUCTURE IN THE WORLD? ALL OTHER PREHISTORIC TEMPLES IN MALTA ARE FEMALE CHAUVINIST - WHY? - GO THERE & FIND OUT. YOU CAN FIND ANCIENT POTTERY SHERDS (900 B.C.) AT BAHRIJA.

THESE MOTION PICTURES WON RECORD NUMBERS OF ACADEMY AWARDS:

BEN-HUR (1959) : 11
WEST SIDE STORY (1961) : 10
GONE WITH THE WIND (1939) : 10
GIGI (1958) : 9
FROM HERE TO ETERNITY (1953) : 8
ON THE WATERFRONT (1954) : 8
CABARET (1972) : 8
BRIDGE ON THE RIVER KWAI (1957) : 7
MY FAIR LADY (1964) : 7
PATTON (1970) : 7
LAWRENCE OF ARABIA (1962) : 7
THE STING (1973) : 7
CAN YOU NAME MORE?

ATTENTION FALCONETTES!

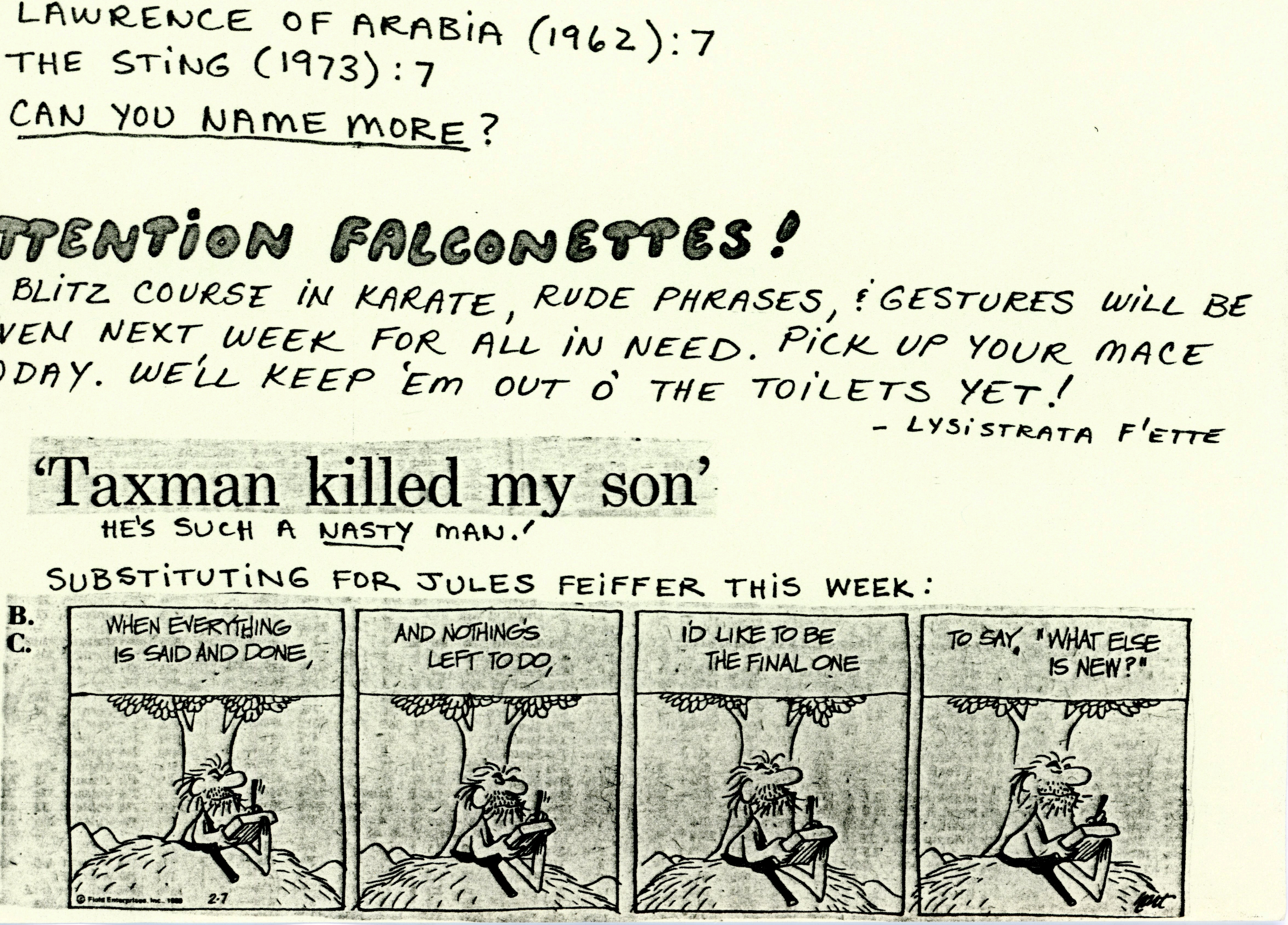
A BLITZ COURSE IN KARATE, RUDE PHRASES, & GESTURES WILL BE GIVEN NEXT WEEK FOR ALL IN NEED. PICK UP YOUR MACE TODAY. WE'LL KEEP 'EM OUT O' THE TOILETS YET!

- LYSISTRATA F'ETTE

'Taxman killed my son'

HE'S SUCH A NASTY MAN!

SUBSTITUTING FOR JULES FEIFFER THIS WEEK: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C.
WHEN EVERYTHING IS SAID AND DONE,
AND NOTHING'S LEFT TO DO,
I'D LIKE TO BE THE FINAL ONE
TO SAY, "WHAT ELSE IS NEW?"
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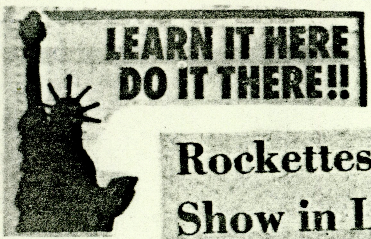
"EXCESS OF SORROW LAUGHS, EXCESS OF JOY WEEPS" – WM. BLAKE

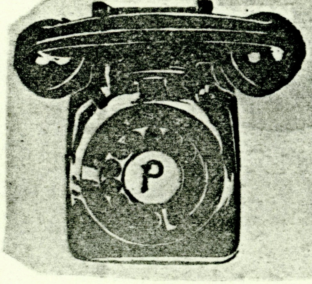


Rockettes to Give Show in London

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UPI) — The Radio City Music Hall's Rockettes will make their first appearance outside the United States in 43 years tomorrow when they appear at the Royal Albert Hall.

Twenty-six Rockettes are scheduled to perform with Carol Channing and several other celebrities in a show called "I Love New York." The show is part of a publicity campaign to promote tourism and the image of New York City.

The last time the high-kicking dance group appeared outside the United States was at the 1937 Paris Exposition.



Calls 'are tapped by the taxman'

BUT, NOT TO WORRY... WHO'S GOT PHONES?!

Bugging shocker

DID YOU KNOW?

THE main streets in Brisbane, Australia, are named after men and women. The "male" streets never go in the same direction as the "female" streets.

WHY DID THE POLISH EXPEDITION TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST FAIL? — BECAUSE THEY RAN OUT OF SCAFFOLDING AT 12,000 FEET. YUK YUK!

WALFLUERS SAVE SWEETHAVEN

Sunday 3:45 p.m. SWEETHAVEN

It was a quiet sunday when two of the famous four were working out on the deserted lot. When Mena and Mina cartwheeled their way into being cub decetives for the Maltese Civil Servants. Mena guarded the Fort while Mina drove two officers to the scene of the pending crime - THE FERRY BOAT. The water was calm but the boat was rocking as five Maltese were site seeing inside the sunken Ferry. Tempers flew while one man wouldn't return a stolen bottle (is he kidding?). Confidentially this reporter has never heard so much foul language she couldn't understand. There were several minor blows- no injuries except one nail while slamming the door - But HAVE NO FEAR - The set is now safe. WALFLUER POWER. A PATTY KATZ DONATION

FISH JUMP FOR JOY

A MAN accused of trying to poach salmon told a judge yesterday that he drove 100 miles to a river "just to hear the fish jump."

There was laughter as 25-year-old Terry Joy explained: "I can tell the difference between a salmon and a trout by listening."

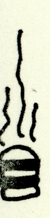
Prosecutor Michael Brabin told Exeter Crown Court: "The story is a pack of lies."

Joy, from Bridport, Dorset, denies the charges.

The case continues.

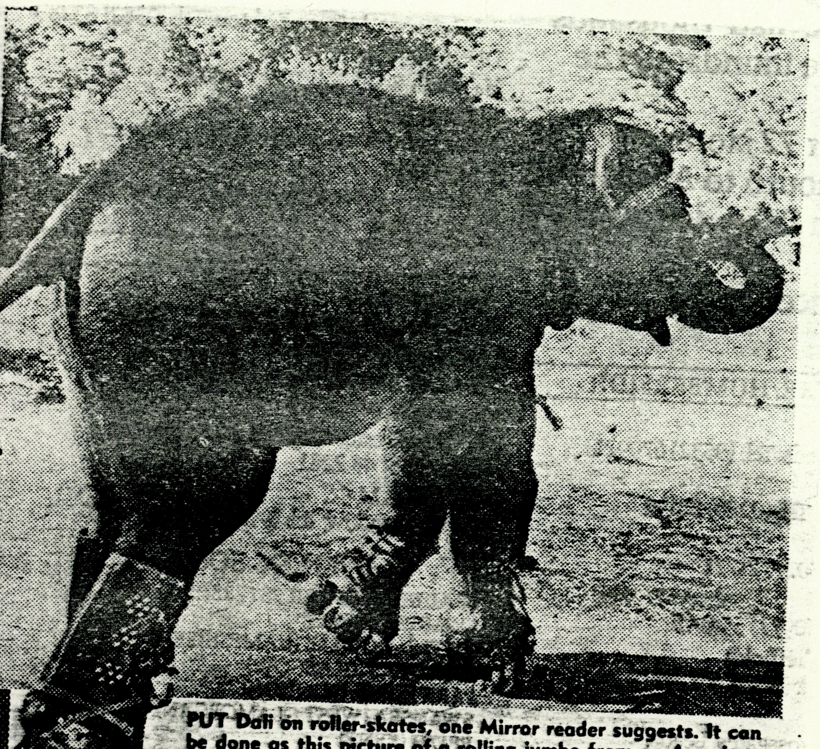
FOOD : AN EDITOYL OPINION

PHUI ON FOOD!
IN MY OPINION FOOD LEADS TO WASTE, AND WASTE TO TOILETS. YOU HAVE A CHOICE. YOU CAN NOT EAT, LIKE ME, OLIVE; OR YOU CAN STUFF YOUR FACE, LIKE HIM, WIMPY, & HAVE A BIG MESS TO CLEAN UP LATER THAT DAY.

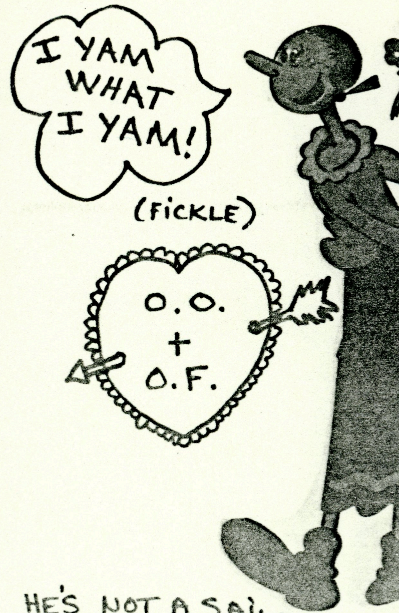


LATER THAT DAY: YOU WALK IN, SHUT THE DOOR. YOU ROLL OFF THREE STRIPS OF T.P. & PLACE IT CAREFULLY ON THE PORCELAIN PART THAT'S NOT COVERED BY WATER. THEN YOU DO YOUR BUSINESS. THEN YOU CLEAN UP. THEN YOU JUST FLUSH, AND VOILA!, THERE'S NOT A TRACE LEFT! IT'S A METHOD THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY ALL WHO EAT. "SAVE THE BRUSH!"

RUNA LENSKA,
STAND-UP DANISH
COMIC, BEING RE-
MOVED FROM SAT.
NIGHT'S TALENT SHOW
AFTER A SCRAMBLE
WITH A SCUMBAG.



PUT Dali on roller-skates, one Mirror reader suggests. It can be done as this picture of a rolling jumbo from an American circus proves. The zoo, however, wasn't keen on the idea.


I YAM WHAT I YAM!
(FICKLE)
O.O. + O.F.

HE'S NOT A SAILOR,
HE'S NOT A BRUTE -
BUT HE'S LARGE
AND HE'S MINE!
HMPH!

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Degenerate sons and daughters, life is too strong for you—it takes life to love Life.—EDGAR LEE MASTERS (Born 1869).

WHOOPS!

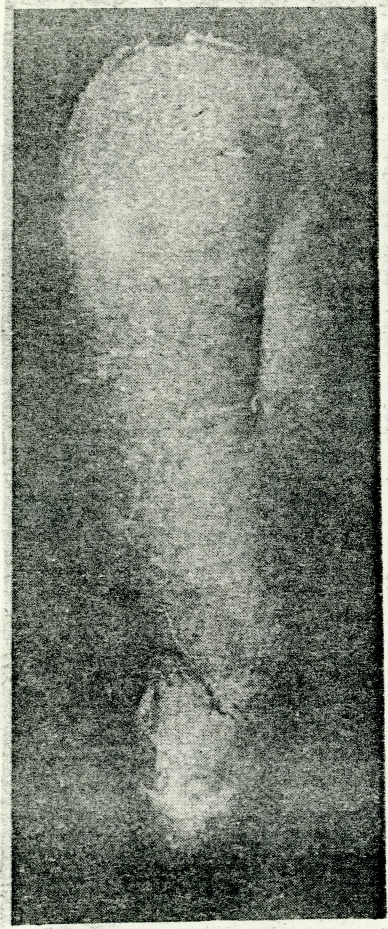
Mrs. F. CLEGHORN, Randlesdown Road, London, S.E.6, writes:

HAVING read of so many funny "records" in Live Letters, I am wondering if, at seventy-five, I am the oldest person to have whooping cough.

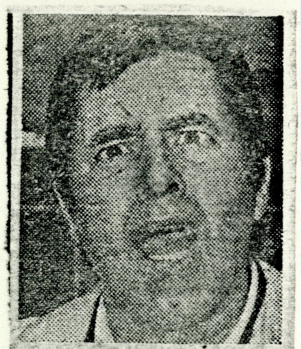
Even my doctor was surprised.

★ What did he prescribe, ma'am?—Presumably you're too big a girl now for twice round the gasworks in your perambulator!

WORK OF ART?



ORANGES, LEMONS, CARROTS..... Readers have seen photographs of unusually big oranges, and the strange hand-like form of a lemon these past days. The subject today is a carrot or, to fit a better description a 'twin' carrot that presents a work of art, forming the body of a human from the waist downwards (picture). Time and time again such strange growths have appeared in print and will continue to appear, it seems, in view of their freaky forms.



THIRSTY: Jerry

That's an old one to crack, Jerry!

From PETER STEPHENS
in Paris

A VINTAGE performance by comedian Jerry Lewis left two tycoons open-mouthed Showbiz moguls Joseph and Louis Clerico engaged Jerry to compere a big charity gala marking the ninetieth anniversary of their Moulin Rouge night-spot in Paris.

At an auction after the show Joe and Louis splashed out £3,300 for a 90-year-old bottle of champagne.

They carefully carried it to their office and went back to chat with guests.

The pair returned to find Jerry with his feet on the desk — and the empty bottle beside him.

It didn't help when Jerry, who had no idea what the bottle cost, told them: "It wasn't bad, but I prefer whisky."

Earthy life on Mars

THERE is life on Mars, says top American scientist Robert Jastrow.

Soil samples taken by the 1976 Viking space mission were tested for living microbes he says.

Dr. Jastrow, director of the Goddard Institute for Space Studies, reveals: "The tests gave a clear, unmistakable signal of life."

But, he claims, scientists have kept quiet about the findings because space agency chiefs fear ridicule.

By gum!

AN object weighing 8lb found by 10-year-old Paul Rivett, of Somersham, Cambs, has been identified as a tooth from a giant elephant of 100,000 years ago.

Respectable
World Reporter
Angela Larking
AT YOUR SERVICE

WEATHER

DULL, rain later.

Do we really need all these people on the public payroll?

Holiday Centre EXCLUSIVE:

The shame of a model sailor

● **As maiden voyages go, it is surely in the Titanic class.**

There in the sunshine on this very beautiful day our boat broke down. It really did. This rather delayed us.

She once punched me in the face completely out of the blue while I was driving on the M4 at 100 miles an hour.

When I finally got the car back under control she said: "That was for last night."

He said he woke next morning with a splitting headache.

She once tried to pull me out of the jeep when I was driving.

Always very sorry next day. But so it would go on.

● *So I bought a tracksuit and took up jogging to get away from her.*

"But for me, the engines slowed down — the drive inside went to sleep. I worked a lot during that time. I was acting with the Royal Shakespeare Company and I went to America

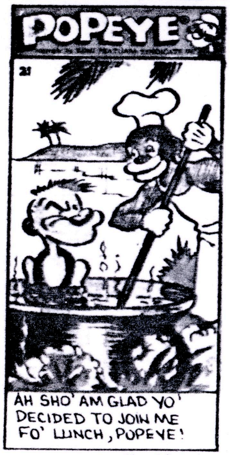
"Nor was I celibate: I had a good time with the birds. But I knew I was waiting in some way for what I had to do next. I opened his hotel-discotheque in Maidenhead, called Skindles, and that was great fun.

Naked women in the pool, champagne flowing like water. Fabulous.

Well, why not—provided he pays his whack.

"We are very concerned for his safety."

Actual size


POPEYE
21
AH SHO' AM GLAD YO' DECIDED TO JOIN ME FO' LUNCH, POPEYE!

If you'd like further information or you'd like to send a donation, simply write to: **HOLIDAY CENTRE**

Dead-end job? Start a new career

Sailor won a bride in a raffle

I WORKED in a shop and when we ran a raffle a sailor was among customers who bought tickets.

As I was throwing the used numbers away later, I noticed the one I had sold him.

It had his name and address on and, though he was a stranger to me, I couldn't resist writing to him.

He hadn't won first prize—a box of biscuits—but he won me instead! For that raffle led to our pen pal romance and marriage.

She said: "I hope it isn't going to happen too often."

Suzanne is a nude gem

AMERICAN actress Suzanne Somers has been promised £5,000 and a diamond by Playboy magazine, which has published pictures of her in the nude.

The photographs were taken about ten years ago — before Suzanne became well-known in TV shows like Kojak and Starsky and Hutch.

"I'M missing all the talk," a friend complained recently. I soon discovered, however, she wasn't bemoaning missing out on the gossip but like thousands of other occasional sufferers she was having trouble with earwax. Fortunately I was able to suggest a solution — **EAREX** gentle ear drops. This helps soften and dissolve hard wax — often the cause of hearing difficulties. Used frequently — say once a month—it can prevent wax build-up. (Perisistent sufferers, however, should see a doctor.) What happened to my friend? **EAREX** solved her hearing problem. Now she's slightly hoarse from singing its praises! **EAREX** is available from chemists everywhere.

Remove that ugly body flab in just 5 minutes per day ALL RECOMMENDS EXORCISM

GIPSIES IN TUG OF WAR OVER A PONY

A TINY pony is at the centre of a furious tug-of-war between a hospital and a band of gipsies. Staff have been looking after Bonzai since finding him "close to death," and they are now keeping him in hiding.

Talked Out?

Life in Philadelphia did not cease when "The Mike Douglas Show" left that city for Hollywood in 1978 to be closer to the stars. But the show's heart began to beat more slowly, and last week **Mike Douglas's** distributor announced that his contract, which expires on June 30, will not be renewed, and he will be replaced by John Davidson. Though the program still does well in the ratings, Group W Productions, a Westinghouse subsidiary, was unwilling to grant the raise he wanted.

It's sensational!

NEXT WEEK

Alan's PASSION

MY OBSESSION FOR MELINDA

She smashed a camera he had given her.

"In true gentlemanly spirit he responded by beating her up," said Mr Walker.

"I said I'd give it one more try," said Alan.

SHOCK, HORROR PANDEMONIUM

WHAT WE SAID LAST WEEK

REMEMBER: IT'S FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!

WINTER'S HERE! PLEASE HELP

FREE NEW *Bird* Book

"Your Winter Birds"

How to help birds survive harsh weather. How to provide food and water, and prevent water freezing. Bird behaviour and habits explained. Includes special projects for children and detailed plans for building your own bird table. Many full colour illustrations, all in this free book.

Send NOW, while stocks last, enclosing 3 x 9p stamps to cover despatch, delivery and to assist the society's valuable work.
Please allow 21 days for delivery.

POST TODAY FOR YOUR FREE COPY

YOUR WINTER BIRDS

I enclose 3 x 9p stamps to cover despatch, delivery and to assist the Society's valuable work. Please send me my Free Book 'Your Winter Birds.' (Offer open to members and non-members.)

Are you a Member of RSPB? ☐ Yes ☐ No (tick box)

Mr/Mrs/Miss______________ PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

ADDRESS______________

______________Postcode______

RSPB Post to: Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Dept. NW965, The Lodge, Sandy, Beds, SG19 2DL.

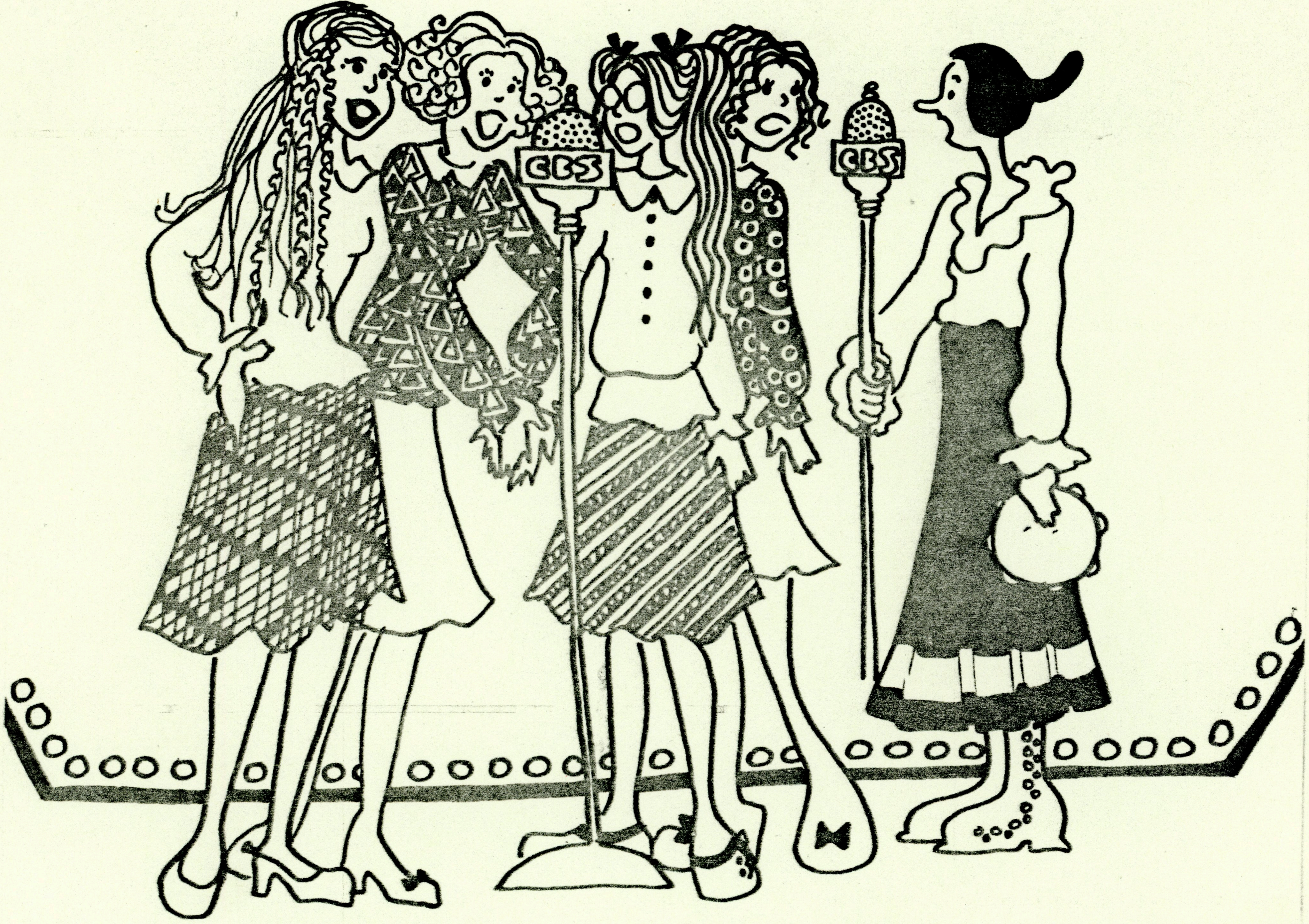
To My Secret Admirer

Love

from your Steinette Valentine

HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY
JENNY!
LOVE,
MICK

to all my Valentines
Life is too precious to pass even one
day without loving, without
laughing ... without breathing
the starlight scent of roses!



ALLEN ROUGHOUSE PRODUCTIONS

PROUDLY PRESENTS

OLIVE OYL
and the
OYLETTES

ON ALTERNATING TUESDAYS ON ROUTE 106.9

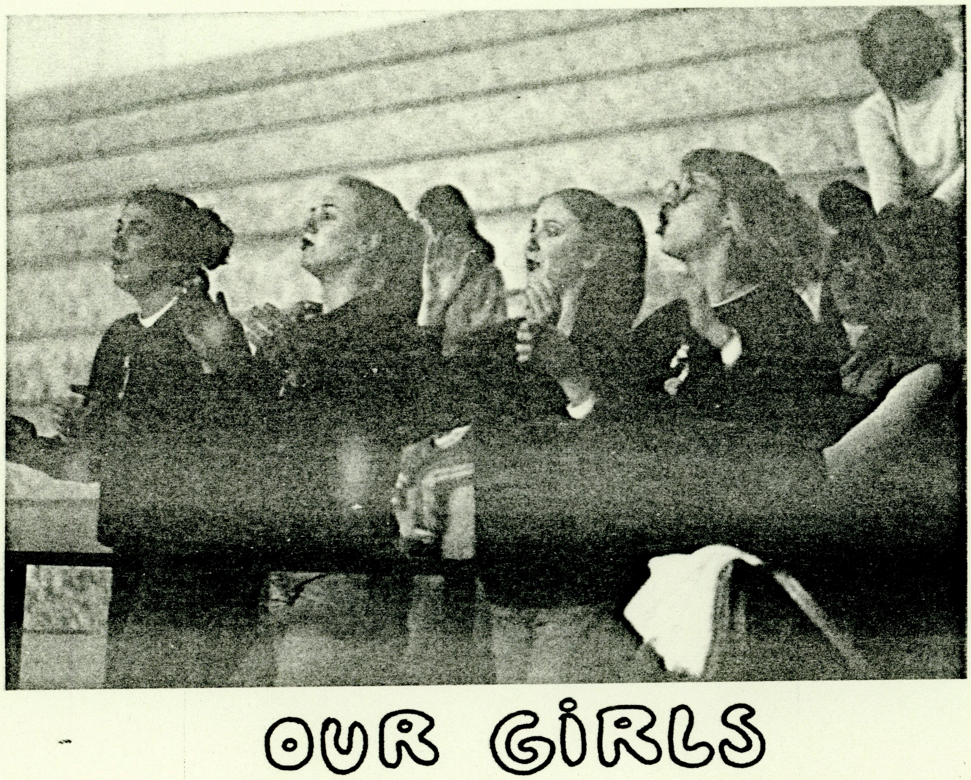
AT THE ROUGHOUSE ROADHOUSE CAFE at 9:00pm.

DRAWING BY JOHN GOODWIN

SPORTS

☐ A FRIENDLY basketball match was played at the De La Salle gymnasium recently between the cast of the Popeye Film Unit and the Hamrun Liberty club. The game was very interesting to watch and as the teams went to basket they were cheered by the boarders of the college. Picture above shows the Popeye players wearing De La Salle kit.

OUR TEAM



OUR GiRLS

SWABS VS. HAMRUN LiBERTY

THE SWABS WiLL BE PLAYiNG, RAIN OR SHiNE, (BARRiNG NiGHT SHOOTiNG) ON MONDAY, FEB. 18TH, 8 PM, AT DE LA SALLE COLLEGE AT COTTONERA. IT'S THE BIG GRUDGE MATCH!

WE WiLL HAVE REVENGE!

THE FALCONETTE GAZETTE

SAT. EQUALS FRIDAY

IF IT'S SCANDALOUS, WE LOVE IT!

NEW YORK NEW YORK

WHAT WOULD U PICK? →

THE Manhattan Laboratory Museum asked the city's school children what they would like to see preserved in a time capsule to be opened in 2080. The pupils, aged 12 and 13, didn't go for the latest John Updike book or Dali painting. Sneakers, skateboards and pocket calculators topped the list.

DO YOU BELIEVE → THIS?

TIP from American insurance tycoon Clement Stone, who is worth £200 million, on how to become a millionaire: Look at yourself in the mirror every morning and say, 'I feel healthy—I feel terrific.' Helps, I suppose, if you're a liar as well.

Creatures of the lochs safe

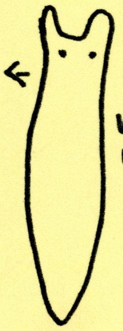
DIAPTOMUS Wierzejiskii can rest easy in his native Loch Spiggie today.

For he is secure in the knowledge he has a friend in the World Wildlife Fund.

In nearby Loch Brow, Crenobia Alpina can breathe a sigh of relief that his watery habitat will remain free from pollution.

These two exotic-sounding creatures, better known as species of flatworm and water flea respectively, are the latest in an increasing list to benefit from conservation grants given by the fund.

To make sure the two Shetland Isles neighbours are safe the fund has helped the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds buy the lochs as a wetland bird reserve.


← THIS IS WHAT WE LOOK LIKE

(FOR FALCONS IN TRAINING) →

HOW A PIGEON FINDS ITS WAY HOME

HOMING pigeons who find their own lofts after soaring over thousands of miles have baffled boffins for years. But now two professors have devised their own intriguing theories about the birds—which suggest they are steered home by a tiny sensor inside their heads.

Professor Gerhard Ruhenstroth-Bauer believes they follow a straight course because they have an internal compass.

The professor, who works at the Max Planck Research Institute in Munich, says the pigeons' inborn device works like a zytoferometer—a laboratory machine which measures minute levels of electrical impulse.

When he hung small magnets round their necks, the birds flew round helplessly and could not navigate their way home, even over short distances.

Humans

The professor also suggests that humans have a similar device, although it is not so highly developed. This is shown when lone yachtsmen wake up in the morning and immediately sense when they have drifted off course.

A similar theory has been developed by Professor Charles Walcott, a biologist at the State University of New York. He says he has discovered a tiny amount of iron-rich tissue in pigeons' heads, about a square millimetre in size.

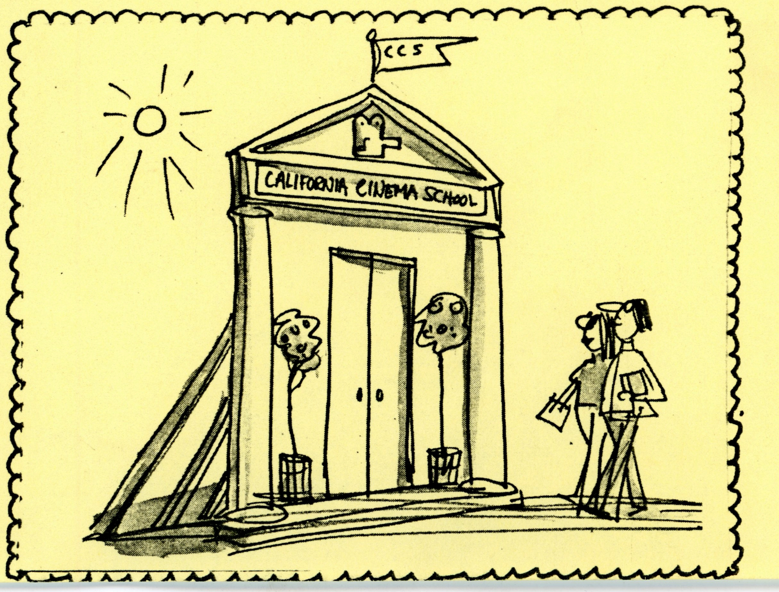
It is believed to contain magnetite, a highly magnetic mineral often called lodestone. A similar substance has been found in bees—who are also brilliant navigators.

It's fish and tips

***AMERICAN** doctor Frank Caprio encourages his patients to keep fish—and observes their choice.*

He claims that one patient who bought a piranha turned out to be an arsonist, and others revealed sadistic characteristics.

The Baltimore doctor says that those who go for goldfish like to play it safe, and placid, broad-minded people prefer a mixture of non-aggressive fish such as guppies or angelfish.



TARGET

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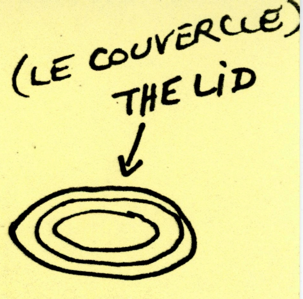
T	**E**	E
P	I	N

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters shown here? In making a word, each letter may be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 14 words, good; 17 words, very good; 20 words, excellent. Solution tomorrow.

IT'S GOOD PRACTICE

FALCON DROPPINGS

BY JEANETTE THRUSH



DID PSST! YOU KNOW:

THAT NANA OYL IS BASKING IN THE SICILIAN SUN?!

THAT THE FEIFF, OR FIFE, OR FEEF - OH HECK! ANYWAY... HE'S BACK!!

WHAT'S THE BEST KEPT SECRET IN SWEETHAVEN?!

WHAT ROLLING STONE HAS LEFT THE GROUP OF ROCKERS?!

WHAT BEATLE IS PLAYING A CAVEMAN IN MEXICO THIS VERY MOMENT?!

IT'S A FACT - FALCONRY IS ONE OF THE OLDEST SPORTS STILL IN EXISTENCE. IT IS MORE THAN 4000 YEARS OLD, AND REACHED ITS PEAK IN EUROPE IN THE MIDDLE AGES!

WHO SAID "THE TRUTH OF YOUR ART IS IN YOUR IMAGINATION."?

THAT PETER BRAY IS A PUGILIST!?

THAT SWEETHAVENERS ARE SUFFERING FROM XENOPHOBIA?

BILL WYMAN HAS QUIT THE STONES FOR STAR GAZING?

TRICKSTER

Q TEN field-mice and five titmice are standing in a row. How many legs do they have altogether?

ANSWER:
20
(A TITMOUSE IS A BIRD)

BRITISH actress Olivia Hussey, who shot to stardom in the film Romeo and Juliet, has a new love story of her own to tell. She has married 32-year-old Japanese rock singer Akira Fusei in a Hindu ceremony at Miami Beach, Florida. Olivia, 28, was previously married to Dean Martin's son Dino.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Either be wholly slaves, or wholly free.—JOHN DRYDEN (1631-1700).

RIDDLE

Q WHAT come in pairs, are emptied every night and filled every morning?

ANSWER:
STOCKINGS

IT'S A FACT THE world's largest doors are at the Space Vehicle Assembly Building near Cape Kennedy, Florida. There are four of them, each 460ft high.

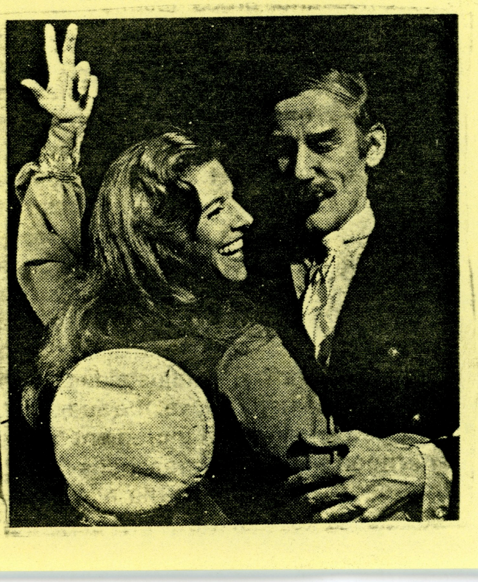
OH NO! IT'S OUR TAX MAN!

PHOTO QUIZ

Just for fun... can you identify these wonderful, well-known actors and the productions in these photos?

Answers to Photo Quiz on page 4:

1. Frances Sternhagen and Donald Moffat in Sean O'Casey's COCK-A-DOODLE DANDY /



FROM THE EXCHANGE:

A pile in the sky

SCIENTISTS have discovered a lump of gold weighing 1,000,000,000 tons. But there won't be a rush to claim it—it's a planet 175 light years away.

The Americans discovered it by using a satellite which analysed light from space.

IS'NT IT AMUSING?

FOUR SQUARE

FORT
OBOE
ROLL
TELL

Arrange 16 letters into four-letter words which read the same both across and down. Example on left. The solution is on Page 39.

Here are the 16 letters for this week's puzzle, and a clue to one of the words—but we're not saying which one it is.

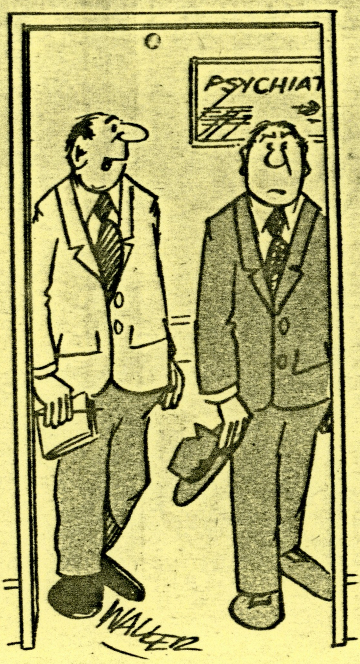
A A D D E E E E
E E G G P R R U
Clue: Rim

IT'S FULL HOUSE NOW

A GAME of poker has cut down absenteeism at an American factory. Each day a worker is given a card. At the end of the week he has five cards for a poker hand, and the best hand wins a cash prize. Nobody wants to miss a card by not turning up.

COULD THIS
BE THE SOLUTION
FOR OUR GANG?

WORLD'S UGLIEST DOG



"Cheer up and try to believe me—I've had bigger twits than you in here"

SQUARE DEAL

FORM a four-letter word square by solving these clues. Answer below.

1 Fall
2 Anger
3 Giant
4 Skin

BLOOMING CONFUSED

UNSCRAMBLE these letters to name four flowers. Answers below.

1 RANG IDEA
2 LINEN DADO
3 MORE RIPS
4 BERT CUT UP

ANSWERS

BLOOMING CONFUSED

1 Gardenia, 2 Dandelion, 3 Primrose, 4 Buttercup.

POSTAL POSER

11 envelopes

SQUARE DEAL

DROP
RAGE
OGRE
PEEL

TAKE A TOWN

Blackburn, Newcastle, Liverpool, Cambridge, Leicester, Rotherham, Blackpool, Southport, Mansfield, Stockport, Doncaster and Aldershot.

Famous name

WHO was the author who wrote under the name of "Sapper," which means a soldier in the Royal Engineers?—*John Newbury, Harrow, Middx.*

☐ **Ed: He was Major Cyril McNeile who lived from 1888 to 1937 and wrote the famous *Bulldog Drummond* stories.**

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DID YOU KNOW?

DURING World War II the American Office of Strategic Services concocted a plot to inject female hormones into Hitler's supply of carrots. The idea was that the vegetarian dictator would undergo a sex change.

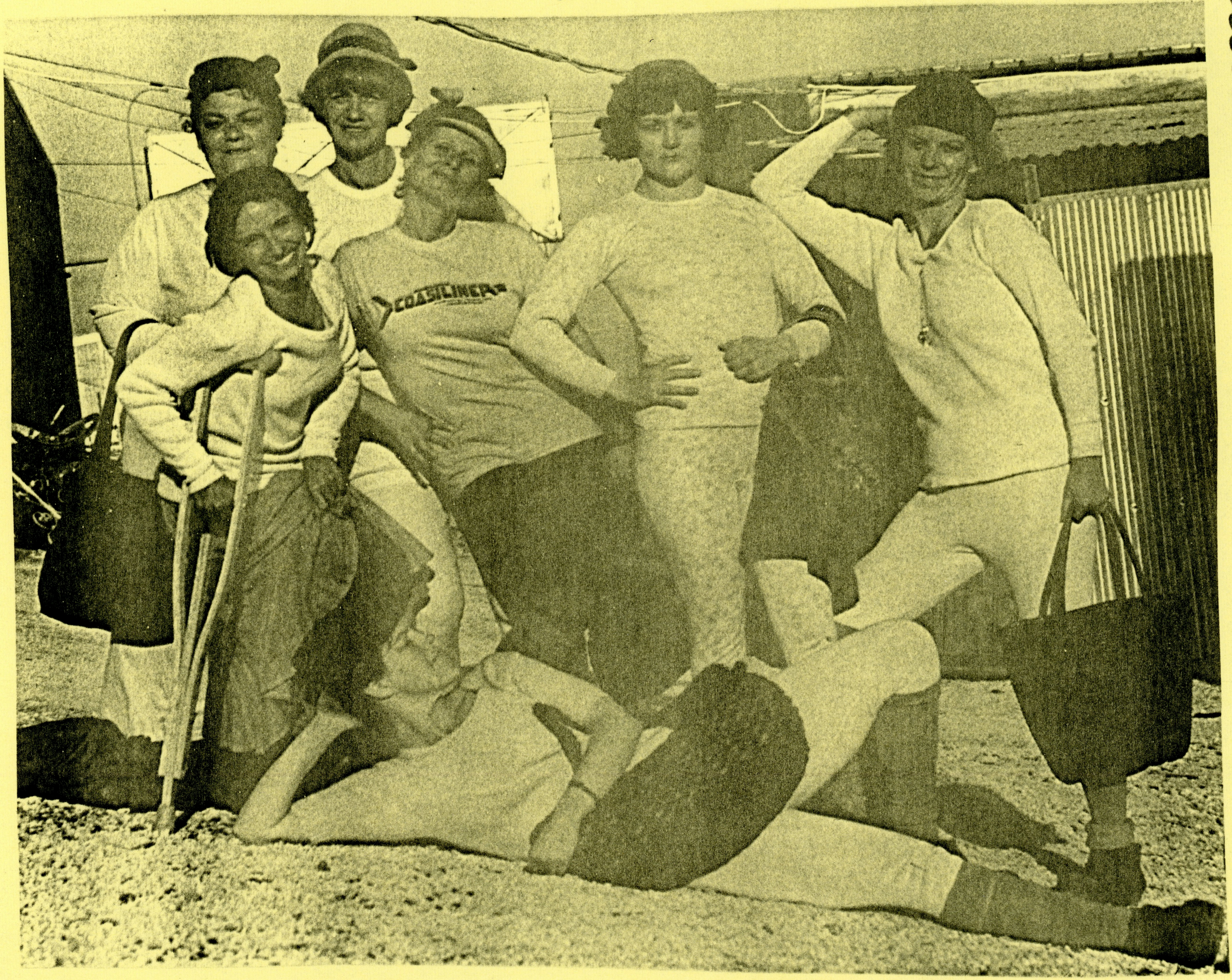
DID YOU KNOW?

CANADA is so large and parts of it are so remote that even today there is no full and accurate map of the country.

DAISY'S DATING SERVICE

girls galore!

WHAT U WANT IS WHAT WE GOT!



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IF THE QUEEN WAS A COCKNEY...

CHANCES are you had to take a ball of chalk along the frog and toad to the newsagent before you could have a butcher's hook at this copy of Weekend.

Nonsense? No—cockney rhyming slang.

For "ball of chalk" read *walk*, for "frog and toad" read *road* and for "butcher's hook" read *look*.

You'll find these, and more, in *Fletcher's Book Of Rhyming Slang* (Pan Books, 80p).

Rhyming slang, writes Ronnie Barker (Fletcher, the legendary lag of TV's *Porridge*) in his latest book, "dates back, as horrible Ives would say, to time immoral.

"At least 150 years, because the wife's mother doesn't remember it starting."

Here are some more examples of rhyming slang: For sun *currant bun;* for head, *loaf of bread;* for pocket, *sky* (from *sky rocket*); for eye, *mince pie;* for hat, *titfer* (from *tit for tat*).

Here's what Ronnie "Fletcher" Barker reckons you would hear if the Queen gave part of her Christmas speech in rhyming slang:

"I greet, too, the Empire, upon which the currant bun never sets. Whether you are in the daft and barmy maintaining law and order in a far flung outpost, or in the Royal soup and gravy, afloat on the high housemaid's knees, I greet you all, with my warmest pots and dishes."

If you want to know what this means, then you'll just have to take a ball and chalk down the frog and toad and buy a copy of Ronnie's Joe Hook.

TODAY'S COCKNEY

APPLE FRITTER = BITTER = BEER
ARISTOTLE = BOTTLE
ARMY & NAVY = GRAVY
ANDY CAIN = RAIN
AUNTIE ELLA = UMBRELLA
AUNTIE NELLIE = BELLY
BOB SQUASH = WASH
BUSHEY PARK = LARK = JOKE
BIRD LIME = TIME
BAT & WICKET = TICKET
BATTLE CRUISER = BOOZER
BEES & HONEY = MONEY
BACON & EGGS = LEGS

MISS ELEGANCE

□ The Gay Movement of Malta on Saturday, March 8, is organising the Miss Elegance Contest during a dinner dance at the Nigret Night Club, Rabat. Taking part in the contest will be young men dressed up as women.

This contest was first held behind closed doors eight years ago. Pictured right is a young man from Sliema who won the contest in 1978/79. The contest was then known as the Miss Banda Contest.

QUID
PRO
QUO!
OR
NO GO!

Cracking the taxman's code...

AN EDITOYL OPINION - BY JEANETTE THRUSH (NOT JUST ANOTHER TERMAGANT!)

IN MY OPINION, WE MUST PILE OUR ACUMEN TOGETHER AND FIGGER THIS THANG OUT! THIS ISN'T JUST ANOTHER DESULTORY PHILLIPIC - WE'VE GOT SPECIFICS! WE'RE TAXED IN & ON OUR HOMES, ON THE STREETS AND FOR OUR PHONES. BUT IT'S NOT ON CAPITAL ALONE - IT'S FOR OUR FOOD, AND EVEN ATTITUDES. THERE MUST BE A NEXUS SOMEWHERE, AND WE'RE GONNA FIND OUT! MAYBE THE ANSWER LIES HIDDEN UNDER THE PENUMBRA OF OUR PROSELYTE PRIEST. MAYBE IT'S SOMEWHERE IN THE LINEAMENT OF THE PHYSIOGNOMY OF THE PARSIMONIOUS COMMODORE. BUT THEN, WHO'S SEEN HIM? HAVE YOU, COLE? IT'S APODEICTIC - SUMPTHIN'S GOTTA BE DONE!

NEWS FROM HOME

Toppling : House in Topanga Canyon.

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FOR Hollywood, the show had to go on : TV series and movie actors were helicoptered to studios. There were helicopter flights for others too. A pilot in San Diego would whirl you through the storms for £10 but he will not retire on the business he is getting.

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GETTING to work, to the shops, to anywhere is a problem. Many decided to stay put anyway, frightened that the next clap of thunder would be echoed by the sound of their homes collapsing. In the city built for the car six-lane highways were choked with mud and as fast as they were cleared the rains brought more havoc. In a week we have had seven storms, bringing more than twice the annual rainfall. It washed away in minutes what people had worked years to build.

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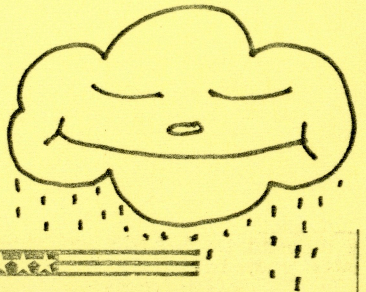
IN Beverly Hills the Red Cross evacuation centre was closed down because residents forced from their homes preferred to pay around £60 a night in the Beverly Wilshire, Beverly Hills and Beverly Hilton hotels. Their mud-splattered Cadillacs and Rolls-Royces were parked outside.



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THE appalling Barbie, the first 'adult figure doll' has just celebrated her 21st birthday—with 115 million sales., Today Barbie drives a battery-powered sports car and can flush the lavatory in her dream house. Mailibu Barbie has a suntan. And she can plant a kiss that leaves a lipstick stain.

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'THE degradation has to stop—the image has to be changed.' No, it's not Ted Kennedy's advisers. The sentiments belong to Ellen Stanley, founder of March 1 as National Pig Day.

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I CAN report the first gold tooth mugging. It occurred in Dallas where two men held a knife to the throat of a 19-year-old youth and threatened to kill him if he swallowed the £100 gold tooth which they proceeded to bash loose.

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FRANKLY, it wouldn't surprise me if Mother Teresa was chosen to be the next Charlie's Angel. That said, those ubiquitous Hollywood sources are now revealing that Priscilla Presley — spouse of the late king — and Star Trek actress Persis Khambatta are front runners to replace Shelley Hack on the series this autumn. Yawn. Yawn.

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IF you're running for President, don't snort coke. cheat on your spouse, have a homosexual relationship, get treatment for mental illness or admit to looking over someone else's shoulder on your college exams. Such are the findings of Opinion 18, a newly formed undergraduate polling organisation.

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I LIVE in Topanga Canyon, one of the worst-hit areas. Today makes it a week without water. Most of the time we have also been without electricity.

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A NEW daily routine : you light the barbecue to boil the rainwater for tea and use what's left for a makeshift wash. Charcoal supplies are running out so you use the same coals to cook food that has not rotted. As there are chemicals in the hot tub water it is useless for cooking but gives us the luxury of being able to flush the lavatories. Many are not so lucky.

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WE are isolated and going slightly stir crazy. I have not seen a newspaper or magazine for a week. All I've read are survival pamphlets issued by the Red Cross.

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THE TOPANGA Creek, usually just a trickle which would take time to fill a glass, was turned into a 250-yard wide monster. The rains gave it the power of a train and it roared through at 50 mph, taking people, property, land and cars with it.

Paradise lost in flood havoc

From DOUGLAS THOMPSON in Los Angeles

AMERICA'S 'sunshine paradise' state is reeling under he worst storms in memory, which lost night had claimed he lives of at least 20 people.

Mountains are crumbling into he million dollar mansions of the tars in California in a lethal ood mix of rock and mud.

Another 26 people are know to e missing, scores have been inured and thousands evacuated rom ther homes.

In the Beverly Glen area of Los ngeles, former Beatle George Harrison's home was threatening to break away from the hillside and smash into the house below. Emergency excavation work needed to be done and authorities were trying to contact Harrison, who was said to be in London.

Off the coast from Malibu, where Cary Grant, Rod Stieger, Olivia Newton John and Bob Dqlan have houses, two luxury homes were washed into the Pacific.

Top laywer Marvin Mitchelson's home in the Hollywood Hills was in danger of collapse. His wife, Marcella, left their million-dollar mansion after the house below them crumbled away, saying : 'I don't think we are coming back to live here. I was always afraid something was going to happen to the house.'

More than 30 other homes in the Los Angeles area — most worth upwards of a quarter of a million pounds — have been destroyed and scores of others badly damaged.

California Governor Jerry Brown, heavily criticised for pursuing his Presidential apsirations in the East while the state washed away, returned here to declare a state of emergency.

In less than a wek the area has suffered 10·44 in. of rain—a couple of inches more than the average rainfall. And it was still coming down in torrents last night, sweeping away homes, cars and people who got in the way.

Last night more hazards emerged. Water supplies are cut and there are pollution problems. Food in homes and stores is rotting because of power failures.

Thousands are stranded in their homes as all canyon roads are blocked by mostly a mixture of mud and rock and the majority of highways are flooded.

News of the Theater

Top Stars Join New Papp Venture

By CAROL LAWSON

INSTEAD of accepting film offers worth fortunes, Meryl Streep, Robert De Niro, Jill Clayburgh and Raul Julia have decided to spend six months working off Broadway next season for the sum of $225 a week. They have just agreed to join the new repertory company being formed by Joseph Papp at the Public Theater. The company is scheduled to go into rehearsal next January and begin three months of peformances next April.

"I've also been talking to Dustin Hoffman, Jon Voight, Martin Sheen and Al Pacino," said Mr. Papp, who plans to enlist a troupe of 25 actors. "They're interested, but their involvement depends on the plays we do."

Mr. Papp intends to present three plays in repertory, with both Miss Streep and Mr. De Niro appearing in all three. So far, only Chekhov's "Three Sisters" is definite. It will be directed by Andrei Serban. Wilford Leach and Ulu Grosbard will direct the other two plays.

"The coup of this company is getting major actors to commit themselves for a long period of time," Mr. Papp said. "There used to be a core of actors in New York who constituted the Broadway theater, but that doesn't exist anymore. Now, the best actors in America are whisked away to Hollywood by economic lures."

Mr. Papp said that he first discussed his idea for this company with Miss Streep and Mr. Julia in the summer of 1978 when they were starring in "The Taming of the Shrew" in Central Park. "We had dinner after the show and talked about the problem of actors going to Hollywood. There needs to be a way for them to come back to the stage from time to time and play before a live audience instead of cameras. After all, the stage is an actor's main source of strength."

The plan is to put all 25 actors in the company on the payroll for six months. The cost of this project is expected to be close to $1.4 million. Box-office revenues are expected to amount to no more than $225,000. Mr. Papp said that he had already approached government sources and foundations for funds. There might also be an arrangement with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, under which the acting company would receive financial support in exchange for several weeks of performances.

This acting company will not be the first ever started at the Public Theater. Not long ago, Mr. Papp put a great deal of money into a highly publicized black-and-Hispanic company created to perform Shakespeare. The company turned out to be less than a critical success, and has been quietly disbanded.

In view of recent history and the high cost of the proposed new company, skeptics might question the feasibility of Mr. Papp's latest plan. "We can't afford it," he conceded, "but there is no chance it will not go ahead."

Sutherland on Broadway

Donald Sutherland, who often appeared on the British stage before moving to Hollywood for a film career, will make his Broadway debut next season as the amorous Humbert Humbert in Edward Albee's stage adaptation of "Lolita." Frank Dunlop will direct this production, aiming to open on Broadway in the fall.

According to Mr. Albee, the idea for this play came from Jerry Sherlock, a former textile executive recently turned producer. "He had the stage rights to Nabokov's 'Lolita' and asked if I'd like to do the stage adaptation. I loved the book, but I disliked the movie enormously. It was totally sexless. Lolita was too old. She has to be 12 or 13."

Mr. Albee, usually reticent about his plays, was asked if he was eager to publicize "Lolita" at this time because it was so difficult to raise money for his most recent play, "The Lady From Dubuque," which recently opened and closed on Broadway within 10 days.

"With Donald Sutherland," he replied, "I can't imagine that we'll have any problem. Besides, this is a fairly risqué item."

"Lolita" was adapted for the stage once before, as a musical, in 1971. It had a book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by John Barry. The chief players included John Neville, Dorothy Loudon and Leonard Frey. The show closed in Boston en route to Broadway.

British Youth Tour Is Off

The National Youth Theater of Great Britain has been forced by Actors' Equity to cancel its three-week engagement this spring at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The company, which intended to perform Peter Terson's "Zigger Zagger," received great acclaim when it appeared at the Academy last season.

Harvey Lichtenstein, president of the academy, called the situation "ridiculous." When the theater company came to New York last year, he said, Equity never got involved.

"We didn't ask Equity for approval last year because the National Youth Theater is an amateur company," he explained. "In the opinion of our lawyer, Equity has no jurisdiction in this matter.

"After last year's engagement, however, Donald Grody, the executive secretary of Equity, told us that we should have come to Equity anyway. I saw no reason to, but I decided to go to Equity this year just to be courteous. Mr. Grody practically assured us that we would have no problem getting Equity's approval."

That turned out not to be the case. Both the Alien Committee and the Equity Council turned down the academy's request. Efforts were made to reach Mr. Grody for an explanation of Equity's position, but phone calls went unreturned.

"Our lawyer says we can do whatever we want," Mr. Lichtenstein said, "but we don't want to provoke bad feelings with Equity because our new acting company is an Equity company. We don't know what to do at this point."

The National Youth Theater has a 75-year-old tradition. Michael York and Simon Ward are among its alumni.

OOH-WAH OOH-WAH
OOH-OOH KITTY,
TALK ABOUT THE BOYS
FROM NEW YORK CITY!!

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can be." One begins to cringe at the prospect of further interpretations of the would-be suicide's story.

At the end of this and another account of failed self-destruction, the professor solemnly informs us that "these documents" "warn us whom to avoid in life — rejecting fathers, hostile mothers, spiteful aunts, exploiting lovers, unloving husbands, unresponsive friends, disapproving nurses, etc." To which we sigh, Nice work if you can do it. "What has happened over the last quarter-century in relation to my own thoughts about suicide notes has unconsciously mirrored some aspects of this dialectical process," Hegel's. First, Professor Shneidman thought that such notes would provide the key to why their authors attempted "the death-producing deed." Then he decided they could tell him nothing. Finally he con-

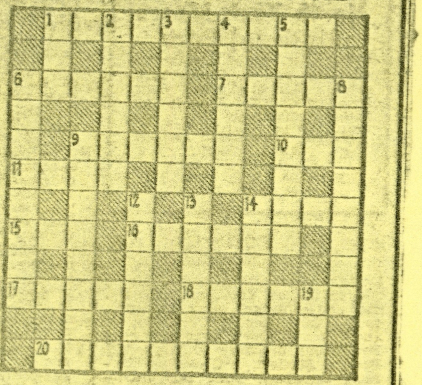
PHILOSOPHY FOR THE DAY:

ONTOGENY
RECAPITULATES
PHILOGENY.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Laws like to cobwebs, catch small flies,
Great ones break them before your eyes.—BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (1706-1790).

QUICK CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- **1** Waste (10)
- **6** Deprived (6)
- **7** Runner (5)
- **9** Accompany (6)
- **10** Hole (3)
- **11** Wealthy (4)
- **14** Cancel (4)
- **15** Pair of musicians (3)
- **16** Begone! (6)
- **17** Precise (5)
- **18** Glossy paint (6)
- **20** Tenacious (10)

DOWN

- **1** Stain (3)
- **2** Sword case (6)
- **3** Missive (6)
- **4** Harangue (6)
- **5** Possessor (8)
- **6** Envy (8)
- **8** Sane (8)
- **9** High award (8)
- **12** 'Praying' insect (6)
- **13** Fondle (6)
- **14** Dangerous (6)
- **19** Consume (3)

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IT'S A FACT

THE ancient Greek Aeschylus is the only playwright to have been killed by a tortoise. A flying eagle dropped one on his head in 456BC.

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IT'S A FACT *THE Goodyear airship hangar at Akron, USA, is the world's largest hangar. It's 1175ft long, 325ft wide and 200ft high.*

TODAY'S LATIN

SUB ROSA -
"UNDER THE ROSE"
SECRETLY, PRIVATELY
SUIGENERIS -
"OF HIS OWN KIND"
ALTOGETHER UNIQUE
ET UX -
"AND WIFE"
(SELF EXPLANATORY)

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DID YOU KNOW? GEORGE V of England was entitled to wear more than one hundred different military uniforms and naval uniforms.

WHY STEVIE IS HAPPY TO BE BLIND

By DICK MAINO

SURVIVAL has always been a part of singer Stevie Wonder's life. He was born prematurely. To save his life, doctors put him in an oxygen tent.

Little Steveland Morris—his real name—got too much oxygen and became permanently blind.

His mother, Lulu, wanted her son to do more with his life than make pot-holders and brooms or clank his way through life with a tin cup and a guide dog.

She treated him and his two older brothers the same way. If he did something wrong he too got "whumped" at their Detroit, Michigan, home.

"We were poor all right, but I wasn't aware of it as much as other kids were. Being blind, I didn't see the things I didn't have," he says in his biography, **The Stevie Wonder Scrapbook** (Cassell Books, £3·50) written by Jim Haskins.

He knew his mother was bitterly upset that he could not see, so one day he told her he was happy being blind. He said it was a gift from God.

That's the way he still regards it, and it made him search for a way to express himself. He chose music—and became an international star with handfuls of "Grammys"—the music industry's Oscar.

He started by banging pots—progressed to bongos, then harmonica and finally, piano/organ.

At nine, he had a recording contract. By the time he was 13, his third record, *Fingertips*, was at the top of the American charts for 15 weeks.

Then, he had a string of hits which earned him the reputation as the world's leading soul singer.

But in 1973 disaster struck. While he was being driven through Carolina, a log fell from a truck in front, crashed through the windscreen and into his skull.

In hospital, friends could not recognise him because his head had swollen so much.

Slowly, he recovered—and said he had foreseen a dramatic incident like that occurring in his life.

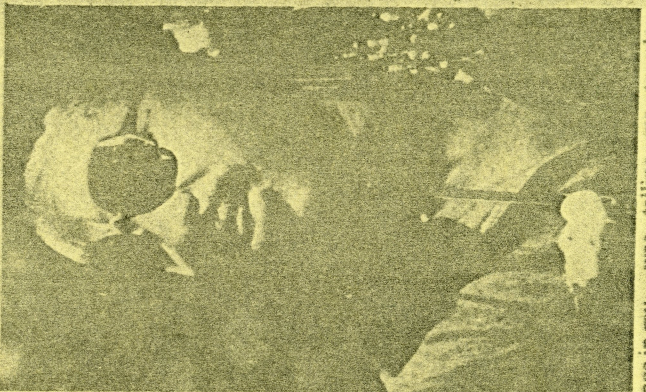
"I felt something was going to happen.

"I felt that there was going to be a change in my life, something very, very significant.

"I learned who loved me. And I learned about those who just said: 'Is he going to be able to work again?' I also see that God was telling me to slow down, to take it easy.

"I still feel that I'm here to do something for Him, to make it possible for people to communicate better with each other. And that's what I'll do."

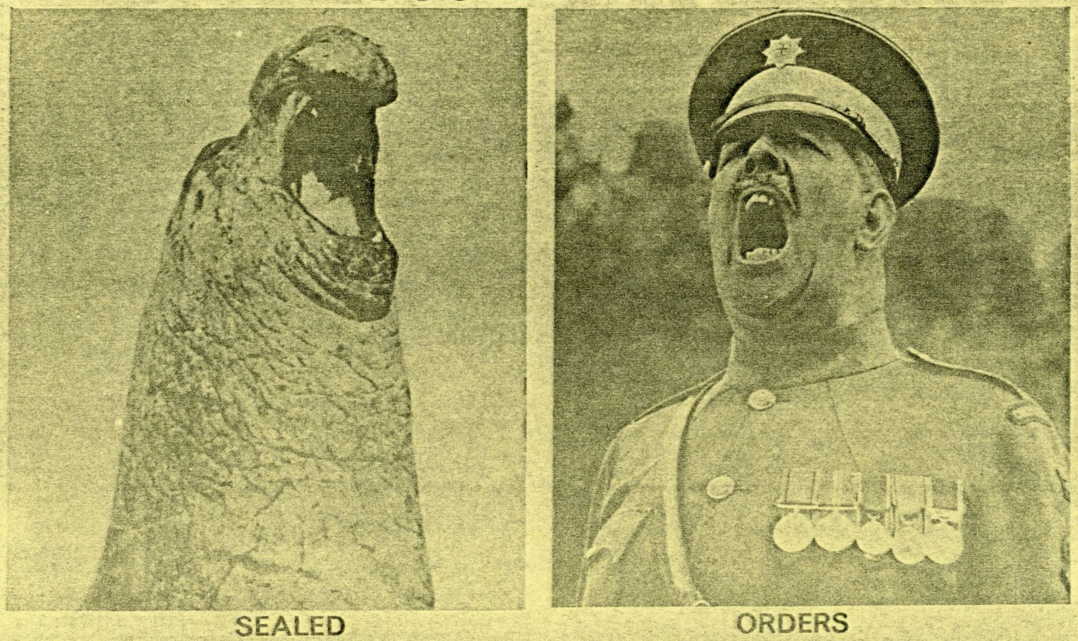
Superstar Stevie Wonder: "I learned who loved me"



PUSH-OVER FOR POLICE

WHEN Hans Joachim, 23, careered down the main street in Aachen, West Germany, after visiting several bars, the police stopped him. He failed a breath test and was charged with being drunk in charge . . . of a pram.

DOUBLE TAKE


SEALED ORDERS

Where to hide a fortune

YOU'VE got something valuable and you want to hide it in your home.

Where do you put it? Under the bed, under the floorboards, in a basket of dirty linen, or taped to the wall behind a handy painting?

Don't bother—they are among the first places a burglar usually looks.

But, according to one expert, you can hide almost anything in your home with a good chance of foiling the craftiest burglar.

You just need a little imagination, says David Krotz, a New York carpenter, who has been dreaming up secret places for customers for years.

For small valuables he suggests a fake electric wall socket point. Choose a place near the skirting board, knock a hole in the wall, then cover it with a socket plate.

Try a table or chair with a hollow leg. Or for large items, a false bottom shelf bookcase.

Even so, thieves sometimes win. In London recently they got £3,000 from a false-bottom cupboard; £18,000 from an old wireless set and £14,000 from a hollow piano leg.

GET WELL OILED

WE'RE a filthy lot. All these years we've taken it for granted that having a bath was merely a matter of turning on the tap, putting your finger under it, a dip and a sluice and out. It's a wonder the lot of us didn't go down with something horrible.

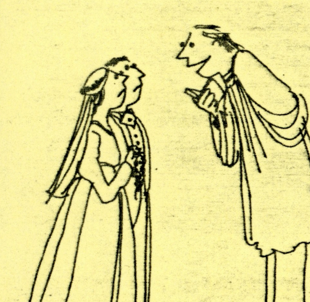
Mind you, there was some excuse for us. Until now, we didn't have beauty expert Clare Maxwell Hudson's advice on how it should be done.

All you need (blended and beaten) are 2 eggs; ¼ cup almond oil; ¼ cup sunflower oil; 2 tablespoons honey; 2 teaspoons detergent; ⅓ cup vodka; ½ cup milk; ¼ teaspoon jasmine or sandalwood oil.

A pity she forgot to pour in half a dozen bottles of champagne.

I hope she left room for the water.

← IT'S A LOTTA TROUBLE



"... and then I ask you the same question in turn, to which each of you answers 'It depends'"

TODAY'S ITALIAN

OH DIO - OH GOD

FERME - HOLD STILL

[redacted] ← OOPS

SPAIZITTO - BE QUIET

(FAMILIARS TO THOSE IN HAIR & MAKE-UP)

Here's to a cuppa

PARISIANS who want to sober up quickly after a boozing session are going in for tea in a big way—at £3 per quarter.

According to French doctors, black tea will halve the amount of alcohol in the blood in an hour—compared with a normal loss of 15 per cent.

EVER NEEDED TO SOBER-UP FAST? HERE'S HOW

SAYINGS OF A FATHER:

"TAKE ALL YOU WANT, BUT EAT ALL YOU TAKE."

'Everything outside the AFL-CIO really is Hoboken' – Kirkland